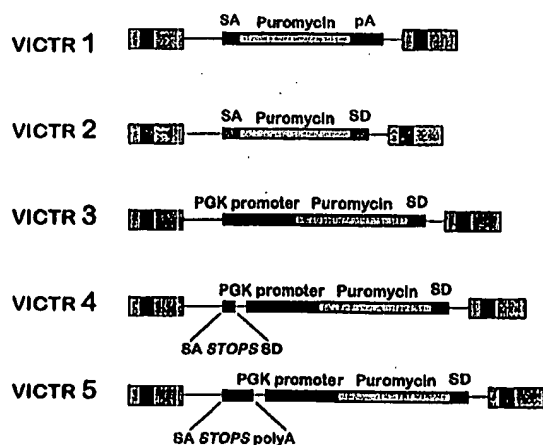




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(54) Title: **AN INDEXED LIBRARY OF CELLS CONTAINING GENOMIC MODIFICATIONS AND METHODS OF MAKING AND UTILIZING THE SAME**



(57) Abstract

Methods and vectors (both DNA and retroviral) are provided for the construction of a Library of mutated cells. The Library will preferably contain mutations in essentially all genes present in the genome of the cells. The nature of the Library and the vectors allow for methods of screening for mutations in specific genes, and for gathering nucleotide sequence data from each mutated gene to provide a database of tagged gene sequences. Such a database provides a means to access the individual mutant cell clones contained in the Library. The invention includes the described Library, methods of making the same, and vectors used to construct the Library. Methods are also provided for accessing individual parts of the Library either by sequence or by pooling and screening. The invention also provides for the generation of non-human transgenic animals which are mutant for specific genes as isolated and generated from the cells of the Library.

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AND METHODS OF MAKING AND UTILIZING THE SAME

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5 Applications Ser. Nos. 08/726,867, filed October 4, 1996,
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August 8, 1997, the disclosures of which are herein
incorporated by reference.

10 1.0. FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to an indexed library of
genetically altered cells and methods of organizing the cells
into an easily manipulated and characterized Library. The
invention also relates to methods of making the library,
15 vectors for making insertion mutations in genes, methods of
gathering sequence information from each member clone of the
Library, and methods of isolating a particular clone of
interest from the Library.

20 2.0. BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The general technologies of targeting mutations into the
genome of cells, and the process of generating mouse lines
from genetically altered embryonic stem (ES) cells with
specific genetic lesions are well known (Bradley, 1991, Cur.
25 Opin. Biotech. 2:823-829). A random method of generating
genetic lesions in cells (called gene, or promoter, trapping)
has been developed in parallel with the targeted methods of
genetic mutation (Allen et al., 1988 Nature 333(6176):852-
855; Brenner et al., 1989, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A.
30 86(14):5517-5521; Chang et al., 1993, Virology 193(2):737-
747; Friedrich and Soriano, 1993, Insertional mutagenesis by
retroviruses and promoter traps in embryonic stem cells, p.
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M. L. DePamphilis (ed.), Academic Press, Inc., San Diego;
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Gossler et al., 1989, Science 244(4903):463-465; Kerr et al.,
1989, Cold Spring Harb. Symp. Quant. Biol. 2:767-776; Reddy
et al., 1991, J Virol. 65(3):1507-1515; Reddy et al., 1992,

Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 89(15):6721-6725; Skarnes et al., 1992, Genes Dev. 6(6):903-918; von Melchner and Ruley, 1989, J. Virol. 63(8):3227-3233; Yoshida et al., 1995, Transgen. Res. 4:277-287). Gene trapping provides a means to
5 create a collection of random mutations by inserting fragments of DNA into transcribed genes. Insertions into transcribed genes are selected over the background of total insertions since the mutagenic DNA encodes an antibiotic resistance gene or some other selectable marker. The
10 selectable marker lacks its own promoter and enhancer and must be expressed by the endogenous sequences that flank the marker after it has integrated. Using this approach, transcription of the selectable marker is activated and the cell gene is concurrently mutated. This type of strict
15 selection makes it possible to easily isolate thousands of ES cell colonies, each with a unique mutagenic insertion.

Collecting mutants on a large-scale has been a powerful genetic technique commonly used for organisms which are more amenable to such analysis than mammals. These organisms,
20 such as *Drosophila melanogaster*, yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, and plants such as *Arabidopsis thaliana* are small, have short generation times and small genomes (Bellen et al., 1989, Genes Dev. 3(9):1288-1300; Bier et al., 1989, Genes Dev. 3(9):1273-1287; Hope, 1991, Develop. 113(2):399-408.
25 These features allow an investigator to rear many thousands or millions of different mutant strains without requiring unmanageable resources. However, these type of organisms have only limited value in the study of biology relevant to human physiology and health. It is therefore important to
30 have the power of large-scale genetic analysis available for the study of a mammalian species that can aid in the study of human disease. Given that the entire human genome is presently being sequenced, the comprehensive genetic analysis of a related mammalian species will provide a means to
35 determine the function of genes cloned from the human genome. At present, rodents, and particularly mice, provide the best model for genetic manipulation and analysis of mammalian

physiology.

Gene trapping has been used as an analytical tool to identify genes and regulatory regions in a variety of animal cell types. One system that has proved particularly useful is based on the use of ROSA (reverse orientation splice acceptor) retroviral vectors (Friedrich and Soriano, 1991 and 1993).

The ROSA system can generate mutations that result in a detectable homozygous phenotype with a high frequency. About 50% of all the insertions caused embryonic lethality. The specifically mutated genes may easily be cloned since the gene trapping event produces a fusion transcript. This fusion transcript has trapped exon sequences appended to the sequences of the selectable marker allowing the latter to be used as a tag in polymerase chain reaction (PCR)-based protocols, or by simple cDNA cloning. Examples of genes isolated by these methods include a transcription factor related to human TEF-1 (transcription enhancer factor-1) which is required in the development of the heart (Chen et al., 1994, Genes Devel. 8:2293-2301. Another (spock), is distantly related to yeast genes encoding secretion proteins and is important during gastrulation.

The above experiments have established that the ROSA system is an effective analytical tool for genetic analysis in mammals. However, the structure of many ROSA vectors selects for the "trapping" of 5' exons which, in many cases, do not encode proteins. Such a result is adequate where one wishes to identify and eventually clone control (i.e., promoter or enhancer) sequences, but is not optimal where the generation of insertion-inactivated null mutations is desired, and relevant coding sequence is needed. Thus, the construction of large-scale mutant (preferably null mutant) libraries requires the use of vectors that have been designed to select for insertion events that have occurred within the coding region of the mutated genes as well as vectors that are not limited to detecting insertions into expressed genes.

3.0. SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

An object of the present invention is to provide a set of genetically altered cells (the 'Library'). The genetic alterations are of sufficient randomness and frequency such that the combined population of cells in the Library represent mutations in essentially every gene found in the cell's genome. The Library is used as a source for obtaining specifically mutated cells, cell lines derived from the individually mutated cells, and cells for use in the production of transgenic non-human animals.

A further object is to provide the vectors, both DNA and retroviral based, that may be used to generate the Library. Typically, at least two distinct vector designs will be used in order to mutate genes that are actively expressed in the target cell, and genes that are not expressed in the target cell. Combining the mutant cells obtained using both types of vectors best ensures that the Library provides a comprehensive set of gene mutations.

A particularly useful vector class contemplated by the present invention includes a vector for inserting foreign exons into animal cell transcripts that comprises a selectable marker, a promoter element operatively positioned 5' to the selectable marker, a splice donor site operatively positioned 3' to the selectable marker, and a second mutagenic foreign polynucleotide sequence located upstream from the promoter element that disrupts, or otherwise "poisons", the splicing or read-through expression of the endogenous cellular transcript. Typically, the mutagenic foreign polynucleotide sequence may incorporate a polyadenylation (pA) site, a nested set of stop codons in each of the three reading frames, splice acceptor and splice donor sequences in operable combination, a mutagenic exon, or any mixture of mutagenic features that effectively prevent the expression of the cellular gene. For example, a polyadenylation sequence may be incorporated in addition to or in lieu of the splice donor sequence. A preferred organization for the mutagenic polynucleotide sequence

comprises a polyadenylation site positioned upstream from a selectable marker which is in turn located upstream from a splice acceptor sequence. Preferably, such a vector does not comprise a transcription terminator or polyadenylation site
5 operatively positioned relative to the coding region of the selectable marker, and shall not comprise a splice acceptor site operatively positioned between the promoter element and the initiation codon of said selectable marker.

An additional vector contemplated by the present
10 invention is designed to replace the normal 3' end of an animal cell transcript with a foreign exon. Such a vector shall generally be engineered to comprise a selectable marker, a splice acceptor site operatively positioned upstream (5') from the initiation codon of the selectable
15 marker, and a polyadenylation site operatively positioned downstream (3') from the termination codon (3' end) of the selectable marker. Preferably, the vector will not comprise a promoter element operatively positioned upstream from the coding region of the selectable marker, and will not comprise
20 a splice donor sequence operatively positioned between the 3' end of the coding region of the selectable marker and the polyadenylation site.

Yet another vector contemplated by the present invention is a vector designed to insert a mutagenic foreign
25 polynucleotide sequence within an animal cell transcript (i.e., the foreign polynucleotide sequence is flanked on both sides by endogenous exons). As described above, the mutagenic foreign polynucleotide sequence may be any sequence that disrupts the normal expression of the gene into which
30 the vector has integrated. Optionally, the vector may additionally incorporate a selectable marker, a splice acceptor site operatively positioned 5' to the initiation codon of the selectable marker, a splice donor site operatively positioned 3' to said selectable marker.
35 Preferably, this vector shall not comprise a polyadenylation site operatively positioned 3' to the coding region of said selectable marker, and shall not comprise a promoter element

operatively positioned 5' to the coding region of said selectable marker.

An additional embodiment of the present invention is a library of genetically altered cells that have been treated 5 to stably incorporate one or more types of the vectors described above. The presently described library of cultured animal cells may be made by a process comprising the steps of treating (i.e., infecting, transfecting, retrotransposing, or virtually any other method of 10 introducing polynucleotides into a cell) a population of cells to stably integrate a vector that mediates the splicing of a foreign exon internal to a cellular transcript, transfecting another population of cells to stably integrate a vector that mediates the splicing of a foreign exon 5' to 15 an exon of a cellular transcript, and selecting for transduced cells that express the products encoded by the foreign exons.

Alternatively, an additional embodiment of the present invention describes a mammalian cell library made by a method 20 comprising the steps of: transfecting a population of cells with a vector capable of expressing a selectable marker in the cell only after the vector inserts into the host genome; transfecting or infecting a population of cells with a vector containing a selectable marker that is substantially only 25 expressed by cellular control sequences (after the vector integrates into the host cells genome); and growing the transfected cells under conditions that select for the expression of the selectable marker.

In an additional embodiment of the present invention, 30 the two populations of transfected cells will be individually grown under selective conditions, and the resulting mutated population of cells collectively comprises a substantially comprehensive library of mutated cells.

In an additional embodiment of the present invention, 35 the individual mutant cells in the library are separated and clonally expanded. Additionally, the clonally expanded mutant cells may then be analyzed to ascertain the DNA

sequence, or partial DNA sequence of the mutated host gene.

The presently described methods of making, organizing, and indexing libraries of mutated animal cells are also broadly applicable to virtually any eukaryotic cells that may be genetically manipulated and grown in culture.

The invention provides for sequencing every gene mutated in the Library. The resulting sequence database subsequently serves as an index for the library. In essence, every cell line in the Library is individually catalogued using the partial sequence information. The resulting sequence is specific for the mutated gene since the present methods are designed to obtain sequence information from exons that have been spliced to the marker sequence. Since the coverage of the mutagenesis is preferably the entire set of genes in the genome, the resulting Library sequence database contains sequence from essentially every gene in the cell. From this database, a gene of interest can be identified. Once identified, the corresponding mutant cell may be withdrawn from the Library based on cross reference to the sequence data.

An additional embodiment of the invention provides for methods of isolating mutations of interest from the Library. Two methods are proposed for obtaining individual mutant cell lines from the Library. The first provides a scheme where clones of the cells generated using the above vectors are pooled into sets of defined size. Using the procedure described below which utilizes reverse transcription (RT) and polymerase chain reaction (PCR), a cell line with a mutation in a gene whose sequence is partly or wholly known is isolated from organized sets of these pools. A few rounds of this screening procedure results in the isolation of the desired individual cell line.

A second procedure involves the sequencing of regions flanking the vector insertion sites in the various cells in the library. The sequence database generated from these data effectively constitutes an index of the clones in the library that may be used to identify cells having mutations in

specific genes.

4.0. DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

Figure 1. Shows a diagrammatic representation of 5 different vectors that are generally representative of the type of vectors that may be used in the present invention.

Figure 2. Shows a general strategy for identifying "trapped" cellular sequences by PCR analysis of the cellular exons that flank the foreign intron introduced by the VICTR 2 vector.

Figure 3 shows a PCR based strategy for identifying tagged genes by chromosomal location.

Figure 4. Is a diagrammatic representation of a strategy of identifying or indexing the specific clones in the library via PCR analysis and sequencing of mRNA samples obtained from the cells in the library.

Figure 5. Is a diagrammatic representation of a method of isolating positive clones by screening pooled mutant cell clones.

Figure 6. Partial nucleic acid or predicted amino acid sequence data from 9 clones (OST1-9) isolated using the described techniques aligned with similar sequences from previously characterized genes.

Figure 7. Provides a diagrammatic representation of VICTRs 3 and 20 as well as the transcripts that result after integration into a hypothetical region of the target cell genome (i.e., "Wildtype Locus").

Figure 8. Provides a representative list of a portion of the known genes that have been identified using the disclosed methods and technology.

5.0. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The present invention describes a novel indexed library containing a substantially comprehensive set of mutations in the host cell genome, and methods of making and using the same. The presently described Library comprises as a set of cell clones that each possess at least one mutation (and preferably a single mutation) caused by the insertion of DNA that is foreign to the cell. For the purposes of the present invention, "foreign" polynucleotide sequences can be any sequences that are newly introduced to a cell, do not naturally occur in the cell at the engineered region of the chromosome, or occur in the cell but are not organized to provide an identical function to that provided in the engineered vector.

The particularly novel features of the Library include the methods of construction, and indexing. To index the library, the mutant cells of the library are clonally expanded and each mutated gene is at least partially sequenced. The Library thus provides a novel tool for assessing the specific function of a given gene. The insertions cause a mutation which allow for essentially every gene represented in the Library to be studied using genetic techniques either *in vitro* or *in vivo* (via the generation of transgenic animals). For the purposes of the present invention, the term "essentially every gene" shall refer to the statistical situation where there is generally at least about a 70 percent probability that the genomes of cells used to construct the library collectively contain at least one inserted vector sequence in each gene, preferably a 85 percent probability, and more specifically at least about a 95 percent probability as determined by a standard Poisson distribution.

Also for the purposes of the present invention the term "gene" shall refer to any and all discrete coding regions of the cell's genome, as well as associated noncoding and regulatory regions. Additionally, the term operatively positioned shall refer to the control elements or genes that

are provided with the proper orientation and spacing to provide the desired or indicated functions of the control elements or genes.

For the purposes of the present invention, a gene is "expressed" when a control element in the cell mediates the production of functional or detectable levels of mRNA encoded by the gene, or a selectable marker inserted therein. A gene is not expressed where the control element in the cell is absent, has been inactivated, or does not mediate the production of functional or detectable levels of mRNA encoded by the gene, or a selectable marker inserted therein.

5.1. Vectors used to build the Library

A number of investigators have developed gene trapping vectors and procedures for use in mouse and other cells (Allen et al., 1988; Bellen et al., 1989, Genes Dev. 3(9):1288-1300; Bier et al., 1989, Genes Dev. 3(9):1273-1287; Bonnerot et al., 1992, J Virol. 66(8):4982-4991; Brenner et al., 1989; Chang et al., 1993; Friedrich and Soriano, 1993; Friedrich and Soriano, 1991; Goff, 1987, Methods Enzymol. 152:469-481; Gossler et al.; Hope, 1991; Kerr et al., 1989; Reddy et al., 1991; Reddy et al., 1992; Skarnes et al., 1992; von Melchner and Ruley; Yoshida et al., 1995). The gene trapping system described in the present invention is based on significant improvements to the published SA (splice acceptor) DNA vectors and the ROSA (reverse orientation, splice acceptor) retroviral vectors (Chen et al., 1994; Friedrich and Soriano, 1991 and 1993). The presently described vectors also use a selectable marker called β geo. This gene encodes a protein which is a fusion between the β -galactosidase and neomycin phosphotransferase proteins. The presently described vectors place a splice acceptor sequence upstream from the β geo gene and a poly-adenylation signal sequence downstream from the marker. The marker is integrated after transfection by, for example, electroporation (DNA vectors), or retroviral infection, and gene trap events are selected based on resistance to G418

resulting from activation of β geo expression by splicing from the endogenous gene into the ROSA splice acceptor. This type of integration disrupts the transcription unit and preferably results in a null mutation at the locus.

- 5 Although gene trapping has proven a useful analytical tool, the present invention contemplates gene trapping on a large scale. The vectors utilized in the present invention have been engineered to overcome the shortcomings of the early gene trap vector designs, and to facilitate procedures
- 10 allowing high throughput. In addition, procedures are described that allow the rapid and facile acquisition of sequence information from each trapped cDNA which may be adapted to allow complete automation. These latter procedures are also designed for flexibility so that
- 15 additional molecular information can easily be obtained subsequently. The present invention therefore incorporates gene trapping into a larger and unique tool. A specially organized set of gene trap clones that provide a novel and powerful new tool of genetic analysis.
- 20 The presently described vectors are superficially similar to the ROSA family of vectors, but constitute significant improvements and provide for additional features that are useful in the construction and indexing of the Library. Typically, gene trapping vectors are designed to
- 25 detect insertions into transcribed gene regions within the genome. They generally consist of a selectable marker whose normal expression is handicapped by exclusion of some element required for proper transcription. When the vector integrates into the genome, and acquires the necessary
- 30 element by juxtaposition, expression of the selectable marker is activated. When such activation occurs, the cell can survive when grown in the appropriate selective medium which allows for the subsequent isolation and characterization of the trapped gene. Integration of the gene trap generally
- 35 causes the gene at the site of integration to be mutated.

Some gene trapping vectors have a splice acceptor preceding a selectable marker and a poly-adenylation signal

following the selectable marker, and the selectable marker gene has its own initiator ATG codon. Using this arrangement, the fusion transcripts produced after integration generally only comprise exons 5' to the insertion site to the known marker sequences. Where the vector has been inserted into the 5' region of the gene, it is often the case that the only exon 5' to the vector is a non-coding exon. Accordingly, the sequences obtained from such fusions do not provide the desired sequence information about the relevant gene products. This is because untranslated sequences are generally less well conserved than coding sequences.

To compensate for the short-comings of earlier vectors, the vectors of the present invention have been designed so that 3' exons are appended to the fusion transcript by replacing the poly-adenylation and transcription termination signals of earlier ROSA vectors with a splice donor (SD) sequence. Consequently transcription and splicing generally results in a fusion between all or most of the endogenous transcript and the selectable marker exon, for example β geo, neomycin (neo) or puromycin (puro). The exon sequences immediately 3' to the selectable marker exon may then be sequenced and used to establish a database of expressed sequence tags. The presently described procedures will typically provide approximately 200 nucleotides of sequence, or more. These sequences will generally be coding and therefore informative. The prediction that the sequence obtained will be from coding region is based on two factors. First, gene trap vectors are generally found near the 5' end of the gene immediately after untranslated exons because the method selects for integration events that place the initiator ATG of the selectable marker as the first encountered, and thus used, for translation. Second, mammalian transcripts have short 5' untranslated regions (UTRs) which are typically between 50 and 150 nucleotides in length.

The obtained sequence information also provides a ready source of probes that may be used to isolate the full-length

gene or cDNA from the host cell, or as heterologous probes for the isolation of homologous genes in other species.

Internal exons in mammalian transcripts are generally quite small, on the average 137 bases with few over 300
5 bases. Consequently, a large internal exon may be spliced less efficiently. Thus, the presently described vectors have been designed to sandwich relatively small selectable markers (for example: *neo* , ~800 bases, or a smaller drug resistance gene such as *puro* , ~600 bases) between the requisite splicing
10 elements to produce relatively small exons. Exons of this size are more typical of mammalian exons and do not present undue problems for the splicing machinery of the cell. Such a design consideration is novel to the presently disclosed gene trapping vectors. Accordingly, an additional embodiment
15 of the claimed vectors is that the respective splice acceptor and splice donor sites are engineered such that they are operatively positioned close to the ends of the selectable marker coding region (the region spanning from the initiation codon to the termination codon). Generally, the splice
20 acceptor or splice donor sequences shall appear within about 80 bases from the nearest end of the selectable marker coding region, preferably within about 50 bases from the nearest end of the coding region, more preferably within about 30 bases from the nearest end of the coding regions and specifically
25 within about 20 bases of the nearest end of the selectable marker coding region.

The new vectors are represented in retroviral form in Figure 1. They are used by infecting target cells with retroviral particles such that the proviruses shown in the
30 schematic can be found in the genome of the target. These vectors are called VICTR which is an acronym for "viral constructs for trapping".

The presently described retroviral vectors may be used in conjunction with retroviral packaging cell lines such as
35 those described in U.S. Patent No. 5,449,614 ("'614 patent") issued September 12, 1995, herein incorporated by reference. Where non-mouse animal cells are to be used as targets for

generating the described libraries, packaging cells producing retrovirus with amphotropic envelopes will generally be employed to allow infection of the host cells.

The mutagenic gene trap DNA may also be introduced into
5 the target cell genome by various transfection techniques which are familiar to those skilled in the art such as electroporation, lipofection, calcium phosphate precipitation, infection, retrotransposition, and the like. Examples of such techniques may be found in Sambrook et al.
10 (1989) Molecular Cloning Vols. I-III, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, New York, and Current Protocols in Molecular Biology (1989) John Wiley & Sons, all Vols. and periodic updates thereof, herein incorporated by reference. The transfected versions of the retroviral
15 vectors are typically plasmid DNA molecules containing DNA cassettes comprising the described features between the retroviral LTRs.

The vectors VICTR 1 and 2 (Fig. 1) are designed to trap genes that are transcribed in the target cell. To trap genes
20 that are not expressed in the target cell, gene trap vectors such as VICTR 3, 4 and 5 (described below) are provided. These vectors have been engineered to contain a promoter element capable of initiating transcription in virtually any cell type which is used to transcribe the coding sequence of
25 the selectable marker. However, in order to get proper translation of the marker product, and thus render the cell resistant to the selective antibiotic, a polyadenylation signal and a transcription termination sequence must be provided. Vectors VICTR 3 through 5 are constructed such
30 that an effective polyadenylation signal can only be provided by splicing with an externally provided downstream exon that contains a poly-adenylation site. Therefore, since the selectable marker coding region ends only in a splice donor sequence, these vectors must be integrated into a gene in
35 order to be properly expressed. In essence, these vectors append the foreign exon encoding the marker to the 5' end of an endogenous transcript. These events will tag genes and

create mutations that are used to make clones that will become part of the Library.

With the above design considerations, the VICTR series of vectors, or similarly designed and constructed vectors, have the following features. VICTR 1 is a terminal exon gene trap. VICTR 1 does not contain a control region that effectively mediates the expression of the selectable marker gene. Instead, the coding region of the selectable marker contained in VICTR 1, in this case encoding puromycin resistance (but which can be any selectable marker functional in the target cell type), is preceded by a splice acceptor sequence and followed by a polyadenylation addition signal sequence. The coding region of the puro gene has an initiator ATG which is downstream and adjacent to a region of sequence that is most favorable for translation initiation in eukaryotic cells - the so called Kozak consensus sequence (Kozak, 1989, J. Cell, Biol. 108(2):229-241). With a Kozak sequence and an initiator ATG, the puro gene in VICTR 1 is activated by integrating into the intron of an active gene, and the resulting fusion transcript is translated beginning at the puromycin initiation (ATG/AUG) codon. However, terminal gene trap vectors need not incorporate an initiator ATG codon. In such cases, the gene trap event requires splicing and the translation of a fusion protein that is functional for the selectable marker activity. The inserted puromycin coding sequence must therefore be translated in the same frame as the "trapped" gene.

The splice acceptor sequence used in VICTR 1 and other members of the VICTR series is derived from the adenovirus major late transcript splice site located at the intron 1/exon 2 boundary. This sequence contains a polypyrimidine stretch preceding the AG dinucleotide which denotes the actual splice site. The presently described vectors contemplate the use of any similarly derived splice acceptor sequence. Preferably, the splice acceptor site will only rarely, if ever, be involved in alternative splicing events.

The polyadenylation signal at the end of the puro gene is derived from the bovine growth hormone gene. Any similarly derived polyadenylation signal sequence could be used if it contains the canonical AATAAA and can be demonstrated to terminate transcription and cause a polyadenylate tail to be added to the engineered coding exons.

VICTR 2 is a modification of VICTR 1 in which the polyadenylation signal sequence is removed and replaced by a splice donor sequence. Like VICTR 1, VICTR 2 does not contain a control region that effectively mediates the expression of the selectable marker gene. Typically, the splice donor sequence to be employed in a VICTR series vector shall be determined by reference to established literature or by experimentation to identify which sequences properly initiate splicing at the 5' end of introns in the desired target cell. The specifically exemplified sequence, AGGTAAGT, results in splicing occurring in between the two G bases. Genes trapped by VICTR 2 splice upstream exons onto the puro exon and downstream exons onto the end of the puro exon. Accordingly, VICTR 2 effectively mutates gene expression by inserting a foreign exon in-between two naturally occurring exons in a given transcript. Again, the puro gene may or may not contain a consensus Kozak translation initiation sequence and properly positioned ATG initiation codon. As discussed above, gene trapping by VICTR 1 and VICTR 2 requires that the mutated gene is expressed in the target cell line. By incorporating a splice donor into the VICTR traps, transcript sequences downstream from the gene trap insertion can be determined. As described above, these sequences are generally more informative about the gene mutated since they are more likely to be coding sequences. This sequence information is gathered according to the procedures described below.

VICTR 3, VICTR 4 and VICTR 5 are gene trap vectors that do not require the cellular expression of the endogenous trapped gene. The VICTR vectors 3 through 5 all comprise a

promoter element that ensures that transcription of the selectable marker would be found in all cells that have taken up the gene trap DNA. This transcription initiates from a promoter, in this case the promoter element from the mouse 5 phosphoglycerate kinase (PGK) gene. However, since the constructs lack a polyadenylation signal there can be no proper processing of the transcript and therefore no translation. The only means to translate the selectable marker and get a resistant cell clone is by acquiring a 10 polyadenylation signal. Since polyadenylation is known to be concomitant with splicing, a splice donor is provided at the end of the selectable marker. Therefore, the only positive gene trap events using VICTR 3 through 5 will be those that integrate into a gene's intron such that the marker exon is 15 spliced to downstream exons that are properly polyadenylated. Thus genes mutated with the VICTR vectors 3 through 5 need not be expressed in the target cell, and these gene trap vectors can mutate all genes having at least one intron. The design of VICTR vectors 3 through 5 requires a promoter 20 element that will be active in the target cell type, a selectable marker and a splice donor sequence. Although a specific promoter was used in the specific embodiments, it should be understood that appropriate promoters may be selected that are known to be active in a given cell type. 25 Typically, the considerations for selecting the splice donor sequence are identical to those discussed for VICTR 2, *supra*.

VICTR 4 differs from VICTR 3 only by the addition of a small exon upstream from the promoter element of VICTR 4. This exon is intended to stop normal splicing of the mutated 30 gene. It is possible that insertion of VICTR 3 into an intron might not be mutagenic if the gene can still splice between exons, bypassing the gene trap insertion. The exon in VICTR 4 is constructed from the adenovirus splice acceptor described above and the synthetic splice donor also described 35 above. Stop codons are placed in all three reading frames in the exon, which is about 100 bases long. The stops would truncate the endogenous protein and presumably cause a

mutation.

A conceptually similar alternative design uses a terminal exon like that engineered into VICTR 5. Instead of a splice donor, a polyadenylation site is used to terminate transcription and produce a truncated message. Stops in all three frames are also provided to truncate the endogenous protein as well as the resulting transcript.

VICTR 20 is a modified version of VICTR 3 that incorporates a polyadenylation site 5' to the PGK promoter, the IRES β geo sequence (i.e., foreign mutagenic polynucleotide sequence) 5' to the polyadenylation site, and a splice acceptor site 5' to the IRES β geo coding region. VICTR 20 additionally incorporates, in operable combination, a pair of recombinase recognition sites that flank the PGKpuroSD cassette.

All of the traps of the VICTR series are designed such that a fusion transcript is formed with the trapped gene. For all but VICTR 1, the fusion contains cellular exons that are located 3' to the gene trap insertion. All of the flanking exons may be sequenced according to the methods described in the following section. To facilitate sequencing, specific sequences are engineered onto the ends of the selectable marker (e.g., puromycin coding region). Examples of such sequences include, but are not limited to unique sequences for priming PCR, and sequences complementary to the standard M13 forward sequencing primer. Additionally, stop codons are added in all three reading frames to ensure that no anomalous fusion proteins are produced. All of the unique 3' primer sequences are followed immediately by the synthetic 9 base pair splice donor sequence. This keeps the size of the exon comprising the selectable marker (puro gene) at a minimum to best ensure proper splicing, and positions the amplification and sequencing primers immediately adjacent to the flanking "trapped" exons to be sequenced as part of the construction of a Library database.

When any members of the VICTR series are constructed as retroviruses, the direction of transcription of the

selectable marker is opposite to that of the direction of the normal transcription of the retrovirus. The reason for this organization is that the transcription elements such as the polyadenylation signal, the splice sites and the promoter
5 elements found in the various members of the VICTR series interfere with the proper transcription of the retroviral genome in the packaging cell line. This would eliminate or significantly reduce retroviral titers. The LTRs used in the construction of the packaging cell line are self-
10 inactivating. That is, the enhancer element is removed from the 3' U3 sequences such that the proviruses resulting from infection would not have an enhancer in either LTR. An enhancer in the provirus may otherwise affect transcription of the mutated gene or nearby genes.

15 Since a 'cryptic' splice donor sequence is found in the inverted LTRs, this splice donor sequence has been removed from the VICTR vectors by site specific mutagenesis. It was deemed necessary to remove this splice donor so that it would not affect the trapping splicing events.

20 The present disclosure also describes vectors that incorporate a new way to conduct positive selection. VICTR 3 and VICTR 20 are two examples of such vectors. Both VICTR 3 and VICTR 20, contain PGKpuroSD which must splice into exons of gene that provide a polyadenylation addition sequence in
25 order to allow expression of the puromycin selectable marker gene. When placed in a targeting vector, PGKpuroSD allows for positive selection when targeting takes place. In addition to providing positive selection, targeted events among resistant colonies are easy to identify by the 3' RACE
30 protocols (see section 5.2.2., *infra*) used for Omnibank production. This automated process allows for the rapid identification of targeted events. It is important that unlike SA β geo, PGKpuroSD does not require expression of the targeted gene in order to provide positive selection. In
35 addition, VICTR 20 provides 2 potential positive selectable markers (puro and neo). The use of two selectable markers, when a gene is expressed, provides a means to increase the

targeting efficiency by requiring both selectable markers to function which is much more remote a possibility than having one selectable marker function unless there is a targeted event. The addition of a negative selection cassette to
5 these vectors would only increase their targeting efficiency.

An additional feature that may be incorporated into the presently described vectors includes the use of recombinase recognition sequences. Bacteriophage P1 Cre recombinase and flp recombinase from yeast plasmids are two examples of
10 site-specific DNA recombinase enzymes which cleave DNA at specific target sites (loxP sites for cre recombinase and frt sites for flp recombinase) and catalyze a ligation of this DNA to a second cleaved site. When a piece of DNA is flanked by 2 loxP or frt sites (e.g., recombinase control elements)
15 in the same orientation, the corresponding recombinase will cause the removal of the intervening DNA sequence. When a piece of DNA is flanked by loxP or frt sites in an indirect orientation, the corresponding recombinase will essentially activate the control elements to cause the intervening DNA to
20 be flipped into the opposite orientation. These recombinases provide powerful approaches for manipulating DNA *in situ*.

Recombinases have important applications for gene trapping and the production of a library of trapped genes. When constructs containing PGKpuroSD are used to trap genes,
25 the fusion transcript between puromycin and sequences of the trapped gene could result in some level of protein expression from the trapped gene if translational reinitiation occurs. Another important issue is that several reports suggest that the PGK promoter can affect the expression of nearby genes.
30 These effects may make it difficult to determine gene function after a gene trap event since one could not discern whether a given phenotype is associated with the inactivation of a gene, or the transcription of nearby genes. Both potential problems are solved by exploiting recombinase
35 activity. When PGKpuroSD is flanked by loxP, frt, or any other recombinase sites in the same orientation, the addition of the corresponding recombinase will result in the removal

of PGKpuroSD. In this way, effects caused by PGKpuroSD fusion transcripts, or the PGK promoter, are avoided.

Accordingly, a vector that may be particularly useful for the practice of the present invention is VICTR 20. This vector replaces the terminal exon of VICTR 5 with a splice acceptor located upstream from the β geo gene which can be used for both LacZ staining and antibiotic selection. The fusion gene possesses its own initiator methionine and an internal ribosomal entry site (IRES) for efficient translation initiation. In addition, the PGK promoter and puromycin-splice donor sequences have been flanked by lox P recombination sites. This allows for the ability to both remove and introduce sequences at the integration site and is of potential value with regard to the manipulation of regions proximal to trapped target genes (Barinaga, Science 265:26-8, 1994). While this particular vector includes lox P recombination sites, the present invention is in no way limited to the use of this specific recombination site (Akagi et al., Nucleic Acids Res 25:1766-73, 1997).

Another very important use of recombinases is to produce mutations that can be made tissue-specific and/or inducible. In the presently described vectors, the Sa β geo or SAIRES β geo component provides the mutagenic function by "trapping" the normal splicing from preceding exons. If the SA β geo is flanked by inverted loxP, frt, or any other recombinase sites, the addition of the corresponding recombinase results in the flipping of the SA β geo sequence so that it no longer prevents the normal splicing of the cellular gene into which it is integrated. To make a gene trap tissue-specific or inducible one could produce the trap with SA β geo in the reverse orientation and then provide recombinase activity only at the time and place where one wishes to remove the gene function. The use of tissue-specific or inducible recombinase constructs allows one to choose when and where one removes, or activates, the function of the targeted gene.

One method for practicing the inducible forms of recombinase mediated gene expression involves the use of

vectors that use inducible or tissue specific promoter/operator elements to express the desired recombinase activity. The inducible expression elements are preferably operatively positioned to allow the inducible control or
5 activation of expression of the desired recombinase activity. Examples of such inducible promoters or control elements include, but are not limited to, tetracycline, metallothionine, ecdysone, and other steroid-responsive promoters, rapamycin responsive promoters, and the like (No
10 et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 93:3345-51, 1996; Furth et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 91:9302-6, 1994). Additional control elements that can be used include promoters requiring specific transcription factors such as viral, particularly HIV, promoters. Vectors incorporating such promoters would
15 only express recombinase activity in cells that express the necessary transcription factors.

The incorporation of recombinase sites into the gene trapping vectors highlights the value of using the described gene trap vectors to deliver specific DNA sequence elements
20 throughout the genome. Although a variety of vectors are available for placing sequences into the genome, the presently described vectors facilitate both the insertion of the specific elements, and the subsequent identification of where sequence has inserted into the cellular chromosome.
25 Additionally, the presently described vectors may be used to place recombinase recognition sites throughout the genome. The recombinase recognition sites could then be used to either remove or insert specific DNA sequences at predetermined locations.

30 Moreover, the described gene trap vectors can also be used to insert regulatory elements throughout the genome. Recent work has identified a number of inducible or repressible systems that function in the mouse. These include the rapamycin, tetracycline, ecdysone,
35 glucocorticoid, and heavy metal inducible systems. These systems typically rely on placing DNA elements in or near a promoter. An inducible or repressible transcription factor

that can identify and bind to the DNA element may also be engineered into the cells. The transcription factor will specifically bind to the DNA element in either the presence or absence of a ligand that binds to the transcription factor and, depending on the structure of the transcription factor, it will either induce or repress the expression of the cellular gene into which the DNA elements have been inserted. The ability to place these inducible or repressible elements throughout the genome would increase the value of the library by adding the potential to regulate the expression of the trapped gene.

The vectors described also have important applications for the overexpression of genes or portions of genes to select for phenotypic effects. Currently, overexpression of cDNA libraries to look for genes or parts of genes with specific functions is a common practice. One example would be to overexpress genes or portions of genes to look for expression that causes loss of contact inhibition for cell growth as determined by growth in soft agar. This would allow the identification of genes or portions of genes that can act as oncogenes. Simple modifications of VICTR 20 would allow it to be used for these applications. For example, the addition of an internal ribosome entry site (IRES) 3' to the puromycin selectable marker and before the SD sequence, would result in the overexpression of sequences from the trapped downstream exons. In addition, the IRES could be modified by, for example, the addition of one or two nucleotides such that there could be 3 basic vectors that would allow expression of trapped exons in all three reading frames. In this way, genes could be trapped throughout the genome resulting in overexpression of genes, or portions thereof, to examine the cellular function of the trapped genes. This identification of function could be done by selecting for the function of interest (i.e., growth in soft agar could result from the overexpression of potentially oncogenic genes). This technique would allow for the screening or selection of large numbers of genes, or portions thereof, by

overexpressing the genes and identifying cells displaying the phenotypes of interest. Additional assays could, for example, identify candidate tumor suppressor genes based on their ability, when overexpressed, to prevent growth in soft agar.

Given the fact that expression pattern information can provide insight into the possible functions of genes mutated by the current methods, another LTR vector, VICTR 6, has been constructed in a manner similar to VICTR 5 except that the terminal exon has been replaced with either a gene coding for β -galactosidase (β gal) or a fusion between β -gal and neomycin phosphotransferase (β geo), each proceeded by a splice acceptor and followed by a polyadenylation signal. Endogenous gene expression and splicing of these markers into cellular transcripts and translation into fusion proteins will allow for increased mutagenicity as well as the delineation of expression through Lac Z staining.

An additional vector, VICTR 12, incorporates two separate selectable markers for the analysis of both integration sites and trapped genes. One selectable marker (e.g. puro) is similar to that for VICTRs 3 through 5 in that it contains a promoter element at its 5' end and a splice donor sequence 3'. This gene cassette is located in the LTRs of the retroviral vector. The other marker (neo) also contains a promoter element but has a polyadenylation signal present at the 3' end of the coding sequence and is positioned between the viral LTRs. Both selectable markers contain an initiator ATG for proper translation. The design of VICTR 12 allows for the assessment of absolute titer as assayed by the number of colonies resistant to antibiotic selection for the constitutively expressed marker possessing a polyadenylation signal. This titer can then be compared to that observed for gene-trapping and stable expression of the resistance marker flanked at its 3' end by a splice donor. These numbers are important for the calculation of gene trapping frequency in the context of both nonspecific binding by retroviral integrase and directed binding by chimeric

integrases fusions. In addition, it provides an option to focus on the actual integration sites through infection and selection for the marker containing the polyadenylation signal. This eliminates the need for the fusion protein binding to occur upstream and in the proximity of the target gene. Theoretically, any transcription factor binding sites present within the genome are targets for proximal integration and subsequent antibiotic resistance. Analysis of sequences flanking the LTRs of the retroviral vector should reveal canonical factor binding sites. In addition, by including the promoter/splice donor design of VICTR 3, gene-trapping abilities are retained in VICTR 12.

VICTR A is a vector which does not contain gene trapping constructs but rather a selectable marker possessing all of the required entities for constitutive expression including, but not limited to, a promoter element capable of driving expression in eukaryotic cells and a polyadenylation and transcriptional terminal signal. Similar to VICTR 12, downstream gene trapping is not necessary for successful selection using VICTR A. This vector is intended solely to select for successful integrations and serves as a control for the identification of transcription factor binding sites flanking the integrant as mentioned above.

Finally, VICTR B is similar to VICTR A in that it comprises a constitutively expressed selectable marker, but it also contains the bacterial β -lactamase ampicillin resistance selectable marker and a ColE1 origin of replication. These entities allow for the rapid cloning of sequences flanking the long terminal repeats through restriction digestion of genomic DNA from infected cells and ligation to form plasmid molecules which can be rescued by bacterial transformation, and subsequently sequenced. This vector allows for the rapid analysis of cellular sequences that contain putative binding sites for the transcription factor of interest.

Other vector designs contemplated by the present invention are engineered to include an inducible regulatory

elements such as tetracycline, ecdysone, and other steroid-responsive promoters (No et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 93:3345-51, 1996; Furth et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 91:9302-6, 1994). These elements are operatively positioned
5 to allow the inducible control of expression of either the selectable marker or endogenous genes proximal to site of integration. Such inducibility provides a unique tool for the regulation of target gene expression.

All of the gene trap vectors of the VICTR series, with
10 the exception of VICTRs A and B, are designed to form a fusion transcript between vector encoded sequence and the trapped target gene. All of the flanking exons may be sequenced according to the methods described in the following section. To facilitate sequencing, specific sequences are
15 engineered onto the ends of the selectable marker (e.g., puromycin coding region). Examples of such sequences include, but are not limited to unique sequences for priming PCR, and sequences complementary to standard M13 sequencing primers. Additionally, stop codons are added in all three
20 reading frames to ensure that no anomalous fusion proteins are produced. All of the unique 3' primer sequences are immediately followed by a synthetic 9 base pair splice donor sequence. This keeps the size of the exon comprising the selectable marker at a minimum to ensure proper splicing, and
25 positions the amplification and sequencing primers immediately adjacent to the flanking trapped exons to be sequenced as part of the generation of the collection of cells representing mutated transcription factor targets.

Since a cryptic splice donor sequence is found in the
30 inverted LTRs, this cryptic splice donor sequence has been removed from the VICTR vectors by site specific mutagenesis. It was deemed necessary to remove this splice donor so that it would not affect trapping associated splicing events.

When any members of the VICTR series are packaged into
35 infectious virus, the direction of transcription of the selectable marker is opposite to that of the direction of the normal transcription of the retrovirus. The reason for this

organization is that the regulatory elements such as the polyadenylation signal, the splice sites and the promoter elements found in the various members of the VICTR series can interfere with the transcription of the retroviral genome in the packaging cell line. This potential interference may significantly reduce retroviral titers.

Although specific gene trapping vectors have been discussed at length above, the invention is by no means to be limited to such vectors. Several other types of vectors that may also be used to incorporate relatively small engineered exons into a target cell transcripts include, but are not limited to, adenoviral vectors, adenoassociated virus vectors, SV40 based vectors, and papilloma virus vectors. Additionally, DNA vectors may be directly transferred into the target cells using any of a variety of biochemical or physical means such as lipofection, chemical transfection, retrotransposition, electroporation, and the like.

Although, the use of specific selectable markers has been disclosed and discussed herein, the present invention is in no way limited to the specifically disclosed markers. Additional markers (and associated antibiotics) that are suitable for either positive or negative selection of eukaryotic cells are disclosed, *inter alia*, in Sambrook et al. (1989) Molecular Cloning Vols. I-III, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, New York, and Current Protocols in Molecular Biology (1989) John Wiley & Sons, all Vols. and periodic updates thereof, as well as Table I of U.S. Patent No. 5,464,764 issued November 7, 1995, the entirety of which is herein incorporated by reference. Any of the disclosed markers, as well as others known in the art, may be used to practice the present invention.

5.2. The Analysis of Mutated Genes and Transcripts

The presently described invention allows for large-scale genetic analysis of the genomes of any organism for which there exists cultured cell lines. The Library may be constructed from any type of cell that can be transfected by

standard techniques or infected with recombinant retroviral vectors.

Where mouse ES cells are used, then the Library becomes a genetic tool able to completely represent mutations in essentially every gene of the mouse genome. Since ES cells can be injected back into a blastocyst and become incorporated into normal development and ultimately the germ line, the cells of the Library effectively represent a complete panel of mutant transgenic mouse strains (see generally, U.S. Patent No. 5,464,764 issued November 7, 1995, herein incorporated by reference).

A similar methodology may be used to construct virtually any non-human transgenic animal (or animal capable of being rendered transgenic). Such nonhuman transgenic animals may include, for example, transgenic pigs, transgenic rats, transgenic rabbits, transgenic cattle, transgenic goats, and other transgenic animal species, particularly mammalian species, known in the art. Additionally, bovine, ovine, and porcine species, other members of the rodent family, e.g. rat, as well as rabbit and guinea pig and non-human primates, such as chimpanzee, may be used to practice the present invention.

Transgenic animals produced using the presently described library and/or vectors are useful for the study of basic biological processes and diseases including, but not limited to, aging, cancer, autoimmune disease, immune disorders, alopecia, glandular disorders, inflammatory disorders, diabetes, arthritis, high blood pressure, atherosclerosis, cardiovascular disease, pulmonary disease, degenerative diseases of the neural or skeletal systems, Alzheimer's disease, Parkinson's disease, asthma, developmental disorders or abnormalities, infertility, epithelial ulcerations, and microbial pathogenesis (a relatively comprehensive review of such pathogens is provided, *inter alia*, in Mandell et al., 1990, "Principles and Practice of Infectious Disease" 3rd. ed., Churchill Livingstone Inc., New York, N.Y. 10036, herein incorporated

by reference). As such, the described animals and cells are particularly useful for the practice of functional genomics.

5.2.1. Constructing a Library of Individually Mutated Cell Clones

5 The vectors described in the previous section were used to infect (or transfect) cells in culture, for example, mouse embryonic stem (ES) cells. Gene trap insertions were initially identified by antibiotic resistance (e.g., puromycin). Individual clones (colonies) were moved
10 from a culture dish to individual wells of a multi-welled tissue culture plate (e.g. one with 96 wells). From this platform, the clones were be duplicated for storage and subsequent analysis. Each multi-well plate of clones was
15 then processed by molecular biological techniques described in the following section in order to derive sequence of the gene that has been mutated. This entire process is presented schematically in Figure 4 (described below).

20 5.2.2. Identifying and Sequencing the Tagged Genes in the Library.

The relevant nucleic acid (and derived amino acid sequence information) will largely be obtained using PCR-based techniques that rely on knowing part of the sequence of the fusion transcripts (see generally, Frohman et
25 al., 1988, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U.S.A. 85(23):8998-9000, and U.S. Patents Nos. 4,683,195 to Saiki et al., and 4,683,202 to Mullis, which are herein incorporated by reference). Typically, such sequences are encoded by the foreign exon containing the selectable marker. The procedure
30 is represented schematically in Figure 2 (3' RACE). Although each step of the procedure may be done manually, the procedure is also designed to be carried out using robots that can deliver reagents to multi well culture plates (e.g., but not limited to, 96-well plates).

35 The first step generates single stranded complementary DNA which is used in the PCR amplification reaction (Figure

2). The RNA substrate for cDNA synthesis may either be total cellular RNA or an mRNA fraction; preferably the latter. mRNA was isolated from cells directly in the wells of the tissue culture dish. The cells were lysed and mRNA was bound
5 by the complementary binding of the poly-adenylate tail to a poly-thymidine-associated solid matrix. The bound mRNA was washed several times and the reagents for the reverse transcription (RT) reaction were added. cDNA synthesis in the RT reaction was initiated at random positions along the
10 message by the binding of a random sequence primer (RS). This RS primer has approximately 6-9 random nucleotides at the 3' end to bind sites in the mRNA to prime cDNA synthesis, and a 5' tail sequence of known composition to act as an anchor for PCR amplification in the next step. There is
15 therefore no specificity for the trapped message in the RT step. Alternatively, a poly-dT primer appended with the specific sequences for the PCR may be used. Synthesis of the first strand of the cDNA initiates at the end of each trapped gene. At this point in the procedure, the bound mRNA may be
20 stored (at between about -70° C and about 4° C) and reused multiple times. Such storage is a valuable feature where one subsequently desires to analyze individual clones in more detail. The bound mRNA may also be used to clone the entire transcript using PCR-based protocols.

25 Specificity for the trapped, fusion transcript is introduced in the next step, PCR amplification. The primers for this reaction are complementary to the anchor sequence of the RS primer and to the selectable marker. Double stranded fragments between a fixed point in the selectable marker gene
30 and various points downstream in the appended transcript sequence are amplified. It is these fragments which will become the substrates for the sequencing reaction. The various end-points along the transcript sequence were determined by the binding of the random primer during the RT
35 reaction. These PCR products were diluted into the sequencing reaction mix, denatured and sequenced using a primer specific for the splice donor sequences of the gene

trap exon. Although, standard radioactively labeled nucleotides may be used in the sequencing reactions, sequences will typically be determined using standard dye terminator sequencing in conjunction with automated
5 sequencers (e.g., ABI sequencers and the like).

Several fragments of various sizes may serve as substrates for the sequencing reactions. This is not a problem since the sequencing reaction proceeds from a fixed point as defined by a specific primer sequence. Typically,
10 approximately 200 nucleotides of sequence were obtained for each trapped transcript. For the PCR fragments that are shorter than this, the sequencing reaction simply 'falls off' the end. Sequences further 3' were then covered by the longer fragments amplified during PCR. One problem is
15 presented by the anchor sequences 'S' derived from the RS primer. When these are encountered during the sequencing of smaller fragments, they register as anomalous dye signals on the sequencing gels. To circumvent this potential problem, a restriction enzyme recognition site is included in the S
20 sequence. Digestion of the double stranded PCR products with this enzyme prior to sequencing eliminates the heterologous S sequences.

5.2.3. Identifying the Tagged Genes by Chromosomal Location

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Any individually tagged gene may also be identified by PCR using chromosomal DNA as the template. To find an individual clone of interest in the Library arrayed as described above, genomic DNA is isolated from the pooled
30 clones of ES cells as presented in Figure 3. One primer for the PCR is anchored in the gene trap vector, e.g., a puro exon-specific oligonucleotide. The other primer is located in the genomic DNA of interest. This genomic DNA primer may consist of either (1) DNA sequence that corresponds to the
35 coding region of the gene of interest, or (2) DNA sequence from the locus of the gene of interest. In the first case, the only way that the two primers used may be juxtaposed to

give a positive PCR results (e.g., the correct size double-stranded DNA product) is if the gene trap vector has inserted into the gene of interest. Additionally, degenerate primers may be used, to identify and isolate related genes of

5 interest. In the second case, the only way that the two primers used may be juxtaposed to provide the desired PCR result is if the gene trap vector has inserted into the region of interest that contains the primer for the known marker.

10 For example, if one wishes to obtain ES cell clones from the library that contain mutated genes located in a certain chromosomal position, PCR primers are designed that correspond to the puro gene (the puro-anchored primer) and a primer that corresponds to a marker known to be located in

15 the region of interest. Several different combinations of marker primers and primers that are located in the region of interest may also be used to obtain optimum results. In this manner, the mutated genes are identified by virtue of their location relative to sets of known markers. Genes in a

20 particular chromosomal region of interest could therefore be identified. The marker primers could also be designed correspond to sequences of known genes in order to screen for mutations in particular genes by PCR on genomic DNA templates. While this method is likely to be less

25 informative than the RT-PCR strategy described below, this technique would be useful as a alternative strategy to identify mutations in known genes. In addition, primers that correspond to sequence of known genes could be used in PCR reactions with marker-specific primers in order to identify

30 ES cell clones that contain mutations in genes proximal to the known genes. The sensitivity of detection is adequate to find such events when positive clones are subsequently identified as described below in the RT-PCR strategy.

35 5.3. A Sequence Database Identifies Genes Mutated in the Library.

Using the procedures described above, approximately 200

to about 600 bases of sequence from the cellular exons appended to the selectable marker exon (e.g., puro exon in VICTR vectors) may be identified. These sequences provide a means to identify and catalogue the genes mutated in each
5 clone of the Library. Such a database provides both an index for the presently disclosed libraries, and a resource for discovering novel genes. Alternatively, various comparisons can be made between the Library database sequences and any other sequence database as would be familiar to those
10 practiced in the art.

The novel utility of the Library lies in the ability for a person to search the Library database for a gene of interest based upon some knowledge of the nucleic acid or amino acid sequence. Once a sequence is identified, the
15 specific clone in the Library can be accessed and used to study gene function. This is accomplished by studying the effects of the mutation both *in vitro* and *in vivo*. For example, cell culture systems and animal models (i.e., transgenic animals) may be directly generated from the cells
20 found in the Library as will be familiar to those practiced in the art.

Additionally, the sequence information may be used to generate a highly specific probe for isolating both genomic clones from existing data bases, as well as a full length
25 cDNA. Additionally, the probe may be used to isolate the homologous gene from sufficiently related species, including humans. Once isolated, the gene may be over expressed, or used to generate a targeted knock-out vector that may be used to generate cells and animals that are homozygous for the
30 mutation of interest. Such animals and cells are deemed to be particularly useful as disease models (i.e., cancer, genetic abnormalities, AIDS, etc.), for developmental study, to assay for toxin susceptibility or the efficacy of therapeutic agents, and as hosts for gene delivery and
35 therapy experiments (e.g., experiments designed to correct a specific genetic defect *in vivo*).

5.4. Accessing Clones in the Library by a Pooling and Screening Procedure.

An alternative method of accessing individual clones is by searching the Library database for sequences in order to isolate a clone of interest from pools of library clones. The Library may be arrayed either as single clones, each with different insertions, or as sets of pooled clones. That is, as many clones as will represent insertions into essentially every gene in the genome are grown in sets of a defined number. For example, 100,000 clones can be arrayed in 2,000 sets of 50 clones. This can be accomplished by titrating the number of VICTR retroviral particles added to each well of 96-well tissue culture plates. Two thousand clones will fit on approximately 20 such plates. The number of clones may be dictated by the estimated number of genes in the genome of the cells being used. For example, there are approximately 100,000 genes in the genome of mouse ES cells. Therefore, a Library of mutations in essentially every gene in the mouse genome may be arrayed onto 20 96-well plates.

To find an individual clone of interest in the Library arrayed in this manner, reverse transcription-polymerase chain reactions (RT-PCR) are performed on mRNA isolated from pooled clones as presented in Figure 4. One primer for RT-PCR is anchored in the gene trap vector, i.e. a *puro* exon-specific oligonucleotide. The other primer is located in the cDNA sequence of a gene of interest. The only way that these two sequences can be juxtaposed to give a positive RT-PCR result (i.e. double stranded DNA fragment visible by agarose gel electrophoresis, as will be familiar to anyone practiced in the art) is by being present in a transcript from a gene trap event occurring in the gene of interest.

For example, if one wishes to obtain an ES cell clone with a mutation in the *p53* gene, PCR primers are designed that correspond to the *puro* and *p53* genes. If a VICTR trapping vector integrates into the *p53* locus and results in the formation of a fusion mRNA, this mRNA may be detected by RT-PCR using these specifically designed primer pairs. The

sensitivity of detection is adequate to find such an event when positive cells are mixed with a large background of negative cells. The individual positive clones are subsequently identified by first locating the pool of 50 clones in which it resides. This process is described in Figure 5. The positive pool, once identified, is subsequently plated at limiting dilution (approximately 0.3 cells/well) such that individual clones may be isolated. To find the one positive event in 50 clones represented by this pool, individual clones are isolated and arrayed on a 96-well plate. By pooling in columns and rows, the positive well containing the positive clone can be identified with relatively few RT-PCR reactions.

In addition to RT-PCR, the pools may be screened by hybridization techniques (see generally Sambrook et al., 1989, Molecular Cloning: H Laboratory Manual 2nd edition, Cold Spring Harbor Press, Cold Spring Harbor, and Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, 1995, Ausubel et al. eds., John Wiley and Sons). Specific PCR fragments are generated from the mutated genes essentially as described above for the sequencing protocols of the individual clones (first-strand synthesis using RT primed by a random or oligo dT primer that is appended to a specific primer binding site). The gene trap DNA is amplified from the primer sets in the puro gene and the specific sequences appended to the RT primer. If this were done with pools, the resulting pooled set of amplified DNA fragments could be arrayed on membranes and probed by radioactive, or chemically or enzymatically labeled, hybridization probes specific for a gene of interest. A positive radioactive result indicates that the gene of interest has been mutated in one of the clones of the positively-labeled pool. The individual positive clone is subsequently identified by PCR or hybridization essentially as outlined above.

Alternatively, a similar strategy may be used to identify the clone of interest from multiple plates, or any scheme where a two or three dimensional array (e.g., columns

and rows) of individual clones are pooled by row or by column. For example, 96 well plates of individual clones may be arranged adjacent to each other to provide a larger (or virtual/figurative) two dimensional grid (e.g., four plates may be arranged to provide a net 16x24 grid), and the various rows and columns of the larger grid may be pooled to achieve substantially the same result.

Similarly, plates may simply be stacked, literally or figuratively, or arranged into a larger grid and stacked to provide three dimensional arrays of individual clones. Representative pools from all three planes of the three dimensional grid may then be analyzed, and the three positive pools/planes may be aligned to identify the desired clone. For example, ten 96 well plates may be screened by pooling the respective rows and columns from each plate (a total of 20 pools) as well as pooling all of the clones on each specific plate (10 additional pools). Using this method, one may effectively screen 960 clones by performing PCR on only 30 pooled samples.

The example provided below is merely illustrative of the subject invention. Given the level of skill in the art, one may be expected to modify any of the above or following disclosure to produce insubstantial differences from the specifically described features of the present invention. As such, the following example is provided solely by way of illustration and is not included for the purpose of limiting the invention in any way whatsoever.

6.0. EXAMPLES

6.1. Use of VICTR Series Vectors to Construct a Mouse ES cell Gene Trap Library

VICTR 3 was used to gather a set of gene trap clones. A plasmid containing the VICTR 3 cassette was constructed by conventional cloning techniques and designed to employ the features described above. Namely, the cassette contained a PGK promoter directing transcription of an exon that encodes the puro marker and ends in a canonical splice donor

sequence. At the end of the puromycin exon, sequences were added as described that allow for the annealing of two nested PCR and sequencing primers. The vector backbone was based on pBluescript KS+ from Stratagene Corporation.

5 The plasmid construct linearized by digestion with Sca I which cuts at a unique site in the plasmid backbone. The plasmid was then transfected into the mouse ES cell line AB2.2 by electroporation using a BioRad Genepulser apparatus. After the cells were allowed to recover, gene trap clones
10 were selected by adding puromycin to the medium at a final concentration of 3 μ g/mL. Positive clones were allowed to grow under selection for approximately 10 days before being removed and cultured separately for storage and to determine the sequence of the disrupted gene.

15 Total RNA was isolated from an aliquot of cells from each of 18 gene trap clones chosen for study. Five micrograms of this RNA was used in a first strand cDNA synthesis reaction using the "RS" primer. This primer has unique sequences (for subsequent PCR) on its 5' end and nine
20 random nucleotides or nine T (thymidine) residues on its 3' end. Reaction products from the first strand synthesis were added directly to a PCR with outer primers specific for the engineered sequences of puromycin and the "RS" primer. After amplification, an aliquot of reaction products were subject
25 to a second round of amplification using primers internal, or nested, relative to the first set of PCR primers. This second amplification provided more reaction product for sequencing and also provided increased specificity for the specifically gene trapped DNA.

30 The products of the nested PCR were visualized by agarose gel electrophoresis, and seventeen of the eighteen clones provided at least one band that was visible on the gel with ethidium bromide staining. Most gave only a single band which is an advantage in that a single band is generally
35 easier to sequence. The PCR products were sequenced directly after excess PCR primers and nucleotides were removed by filtration in a spin column (Centricon-100, Amicon). DNA was

added directly to dye terminator sequencing reactions (purchased from ABI) using the standard M13 forward primer a region for which was built into the end of the puro exon in all of the PCR fragments. Thirteen of the seventeen clones 5 that gave a band after the PCR provided readable sequence. The minimum number of readable nucleotides was 207 and some of the clones provided over 500 nucleotides of useful sequence.

Sample data from this set of clones is presented in 10 Figure 6. Only a portion of sequence (nucleotide or putative amino acid) for 9 Library clones obtained by the methods described in this invention are presented. Under each sequence fragment in the figure is aligned a homologous 15 alignment search tool) search algorithm (Altschul et al., 1990, J. Mol. Biol. 215:403-410).

In addition to known sequences, many new genes were also identified. Each of these sequences is labeled "OST" for "Omnibank Sequence Tags." OMNIBANK™ shall be the trademark 20 name for the Libraries generated using the disclosed technology.

These data demonstrate that the VICTR series vectors may efficiently trap genes, and that the procedures used to obtain sequence are reliable. With simple optimization of 25 each step, it is presently possible to mutate every gene in a given population of cells, and obtain sequence from each of these mutated genes. The sample data provided in this example represents a small fraction of an entire Library. By simply performing the same procedures on a larger scale (with 30 automation) a Library may be constructed that collectively comprises and indexes mutations in essentially every gene in the genome of the target cell.

Additional studies have used both VICTR 3 and VICTR 20. Like VICTR 3, VICTR 20 is exemplary of a family of vectors 35 that incorporate two main functional units: a sequence acquisition component having a strong promoter element (phosphoglycerate kinase 1) active in ES cells that is fused

to the puromycin resistance gene coding sequence which lacks a polyadenylation sequence but is followed by a synthetic consensus splice donor sequence (PGKpuroSD); and 2) a mutagenic component that incorporates a splice acceptor sequence fused to a selectable, colorimetric marker gene and followed by a polyadenylation sequence (for example, SA β geopA or SAIRES β geopA). Also like VICTR 3, stop codons have been engineered into all three reading frames in the region between the 3' end of the selectable marker and the splice donor site. A diagrammatic description of structure and functions of VICTRs 3 and 20 is provided in Figure 7.

When VICTRs 3 and 20 were used in the commercial scale application of the presently disclosed invention, over 3,000 mutagenized ES cell clones were rapidly engineered and obtained. Sequence analysis obtained from these clones has identified a wide variety of both previously identified and novel sequences. A representative sampling of previously known genes that were identified using the presently described methods is provided in Figure 8. The power of the presently described invention as a genomics resource becomes apparent when one considers that the genes listed in Figure 8 were obtained and identified in less than a year whereas the references associated with the identification of the known genes span a period of roughly two decades. More importantly, the majority of the sequences thus far identified are novel, and, because of the functional aspects of the presently described ES cell system, the cellular and developmental functions of these novel sequences can be rapidly established.

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7.0. Reference to Microorganism Deposits

The following plasmids have been deposited at the American Type Culture Collection (ATCC), Rockville, MD, USA, under the terms of the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure and Regulations thereunder (Budapest Treaty) and are thus maintained and made available according

to the terms of the Budapest Treaty. Availability of such plasmids is not to be construed as a license to practice the invention in contravention of the rights granted under the authority of any government in accordance with its patent laws.

The deposited cultures have been assigned the indicated ATCC deposit numbers:

	<u>Plasmid</u>	<u>ATCC No.</u>
	plex	97748
10	pExonII	97749
	ppuro7	97750
	ppuro5	97751
	ppuro11	97752
	ppuro10	97753

All publications and patents mentioned in the above specification are herein incorporated by reference. Various modifications and variations of the described method and system of the invention will be apparent to those skilled in the art without departing from the scope and spirit of the invention. Although the invention has been described in connection with specific preferred embodiments, it should be understood that the invention as claimed should not be unduly limited to such specific embodiments. Indeed, various modifications of the above-described modes for carrying out the invention which are obvious to those skilled in the field of molecular biology or related fields are intended to be within the scope of the following claims.

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CLAIMSWhat is claimed is:

1. A library of cultured eucaryotic cells made by a process comprising the steps of:
 - 5 a) treating a first group of cells to stably integrate a first vector that mediates the splicing of a foreign exon internal to a cellular transcript;
 - b) treating a second group of cells to stably integrate a second vector that mediates the splicing of a foreign exon
10 5' to an exon of a cellular transcript; and
 - c) selecting for transduced cells that express the products encoded by the foreign exons.
2. A library according to claim 1 wherein said treating
15 is transfection.
3. A library according to claim 1 wherein said treating is by infection.
- 20 4. A library according to claim 1 wherein said treating is by retrotransposition.
5. A library according to any one of claims 1 through 4 wherein said cells are animal cells.
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6. A library according to claim 5 wherein said animal is mammalian.
7. A library according to claim 6 wherein said cells
30 are rodent cells.
8. The use of a mutated cell from a library according to claim 6 to generate a non-human transgenic animal.
- 35 9. A vector for replacing the 3' end of an animal cell transcript with a foreign exon, comprising:
 - a) a selectable marker;

- b) a splice acceptor site operatively positioned 5' to the initiation codon of said selectable marker;
- c) a polyadenylation site operatively positioned 3' to said selectable marker;
- 5 d) said vector not comprising a promoter element operatively positioned 5' of the coding region of said selectable marker; and
- e) said vector not comprising a splice donor sequence operatively positioned between the 3' end of the
- 10 coding region of said selectable marker and said polyadenylation site.

10. A vector for inserting foreign mutagenic polynucleotide sequence internal to animal cell transcripts, 15 comprising:

- a) a foreign exon;
- b) a splice acceptor sequence operatively positioned 5' to the foreign exon;
- c) a splice donor site operatively positioned 3' to
- 20 said foreign exon;
- d) a sequence comprising a nested set of stop codons in each of the three reading frames located between the 3' end of said foreign exon and said splice donor site;
- 25 e) said vector not comprising a polyadenylation site operatively positioned 3' to said foreign exon; and
- f) said vector not comprising a promoter element operatively positioned 5' to the coding region of said foreign exon.

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11. A vector for attaching a foreign exon upstream from the 3' end of an animal cell transcript, comprising:

- a) a selectable marker;
- b) a promoter element operatively positioned 5' to
- 35 said selectable marker;
- c) a splice donor site operatively positioned 3' to said selectable marker; and

- d) said vector not comprising a transcription terminator or polyadenylation site operatively positioned relative to the coding region of said selectable marker; and
- 5 e) said vector not comprising a splice acceptor site operatively positioned between said promoter element and the initiation codon of said selectable marker.
- 10 12. A vector according to claim 11 wherein said vector additionally comprises a foreign mutagenic polynucleotide sequence located upstream from said promoter.
13. A vector according to claim 12 wherein said vector
15 additionally comprises a splice acceptor operatively positioned upstream from said foreign mutagenic polynucleotide sequence.
14. A vector according to claim 13 wherein said foreign
20 mutagenic polynucleotide sequence comprises a polyadenylation site.
15. A vector according to claim 14, wherein said
foreign mutagenic polynucleotide sequence additionally
25 comprises stop codons in all three reading frames.
16. A vector according to claim 12 in which a first recombina-
se recognition sequence is present upstream from
said promoter and a second recombina-
se recognition sequence
30 is present downstream from said promoter.
17. A vector according to any one of claims 9, 10, or
11 wherein said vector is a viral vector.
- 35 18. A vector according to claim 17 wherein said viral
vector is a retroviral vector.

19. The use of a vector according to claim 9 to produce a library of mutated animal cells.

20. The use of a vector according to claim 10 to produce mutated animal cells.

21. The use of a vector according to claim 11 to produce mutated animal cells.

22. The use of a vector according to claim 11 to effect homologous recombination in an animal cell.

23. A stably transduced animal cell that incorporates a vector according to claim 16.

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24. A method of deleting a region of vector DNA from a cell according to claim 23, comprising:

- a) providing a recombinase activity to the cell; and
- b) selecting for cells that lack the desired region of vector DNA.

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25. A method of adding a region of DNA to a cell according to claim 23, comprising:

- a) introducing the DNA to be added into the cell;
- a) providing a recombinase activity to the cell; and
- b) selecting for cells that incorporate the added DNA.

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26. A method of effecting the inducible expression of a desired gene, comprising:

- a) providing a cell according to claim 23 with a recombinase gene that is expressed by an inducible promoter; and
- b) inducing said inducible promoter.

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27. A method of gene discovery comprising:

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- a) adding a foreign polynucleotide to a population of target cells such that the foreign

polynucleotide is inserted throughout the genomes of the target cells; and

b) activating control elements encoded by the foreign polynucleotides that activate or repress the expression of target cell genes that flank the integrated foreign polynucleotides, and identifying the regions of the target cell genome into which the foreign polynucleotides have integrated.

28. A library of cultured animal cells that stably integrate vectors according to claims 10 or 11.

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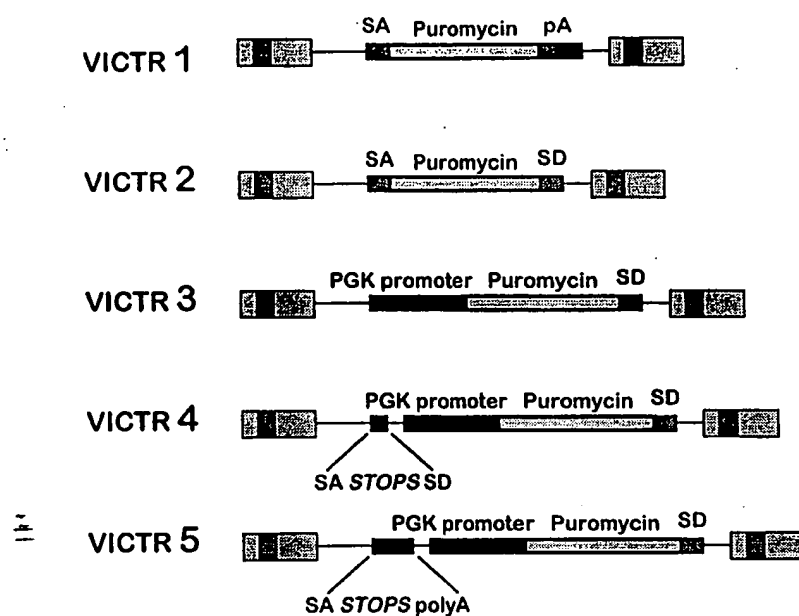


Figure 1

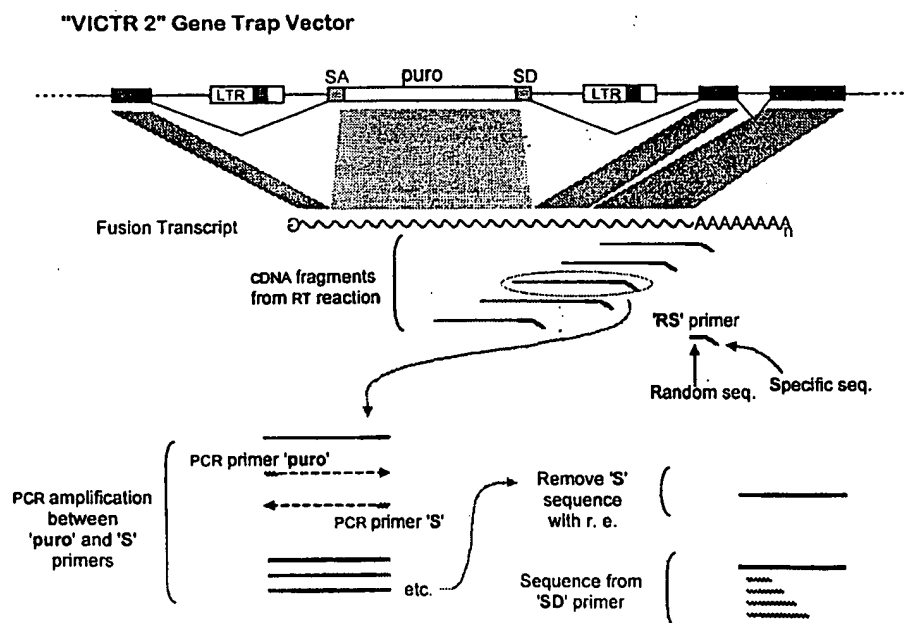


Figure 2

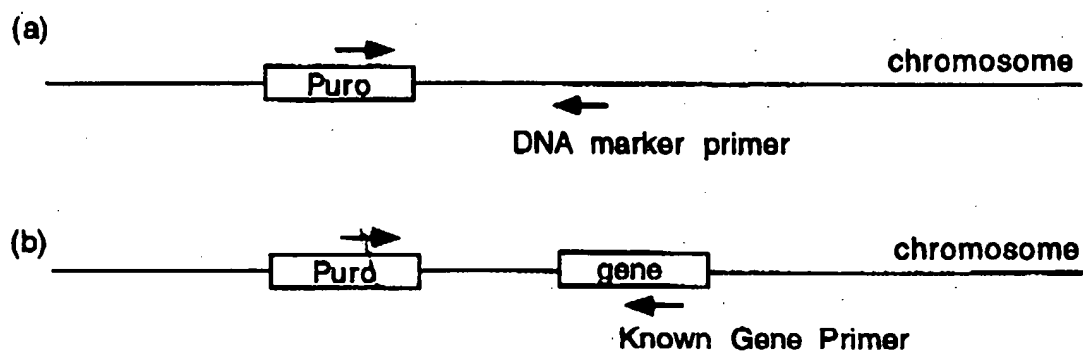


Figure 3

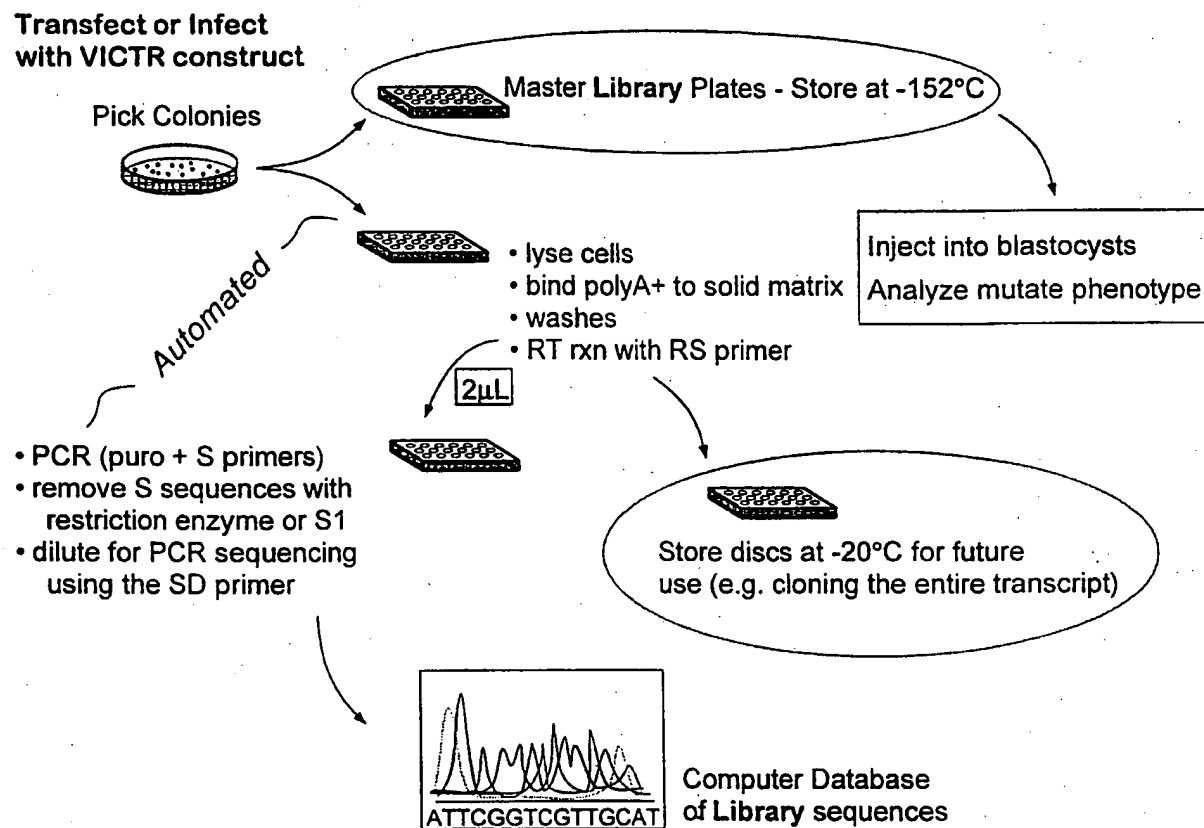
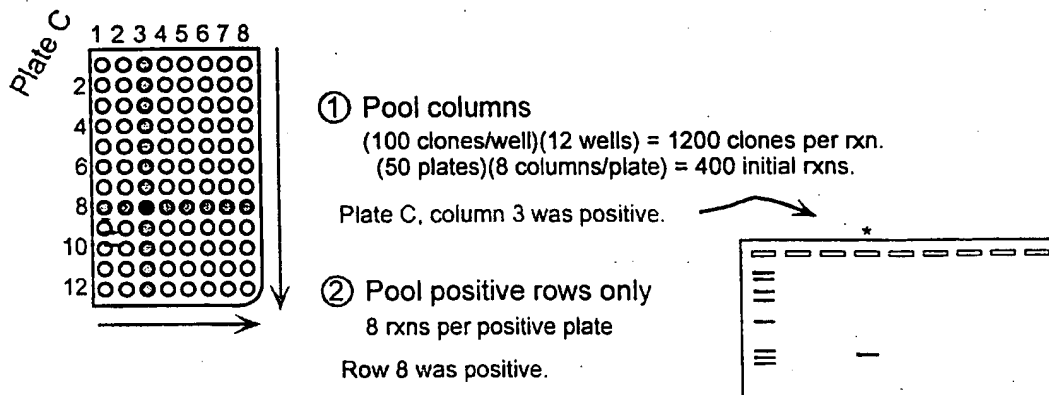


Figure 4

Identify Positive Pool

To screen all mouse genes (~100,000) with 5-fold redundancy would require about 50 plates of 96-wells (at 100 clones/well).



Identify Positive Clone

The pool on plate C, column 3, row 8 is thawed and plated as single clones:

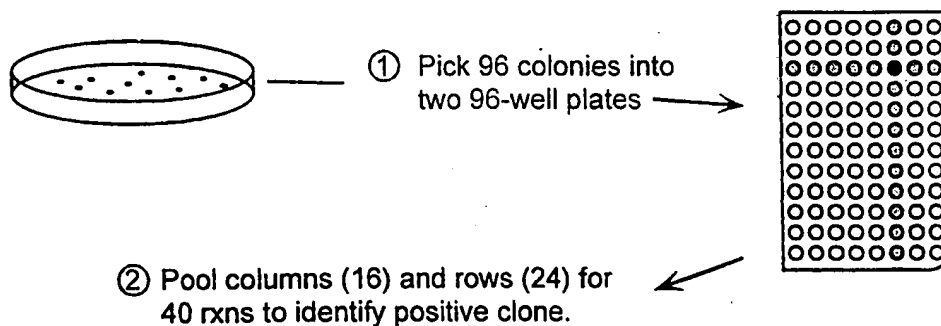


Figure 5

OST1:	248	TTTATATAATATTTAATTGTTTACTGGGGTATATATGTGTGAAGAGGACTTCT	302
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OST2:	56	ACCGTTGCGGAGGCTCACGTTTCTCAGATAGTACATCAGGTGTCATCGNTGTCAGAAGGT	115
mouse TCR-ATF1:	75	ACCGTTGCGGGCCCTCACGTTTCTCAGATAGTACATCAGGTGTCATCGTTATCAGAAAGT	134
OST3:	58	GIGMHAGLHERDRKTVLEELFNCKVQVLIATSTLAWGVNFPAPHLVIKGT EYD GKT RR	237
		GIG+HHAGL ++DR +LF K+Q+LIATSTLAWGVN PAHLVIKGT+++D K	
Yeast ORF G9365:	1430	GIGLHHAGLVQKDRSISHQLFQKNKIQLIATSTLAWGVNLPAPHLVIKGTQFFDAKIEG	1489
OST4:	137	GCGCAGAAGTGGTNCCTGGAANTTTNCCGCCNCCATCCAGTCTATTAATTGTTGACNGGA	196
seq. from US			
patent 5470724:	166	GCGCAGAAGTGGTCTGCAACTTTATCCGCCCTCCATCCAGTCTATTAATTGTTGCCGGGA	225
OST5:	108	TCWIRLGT*RXVGASLEYEYIRAS	179
mouse wnt-5A		TCW++L R VG +L+ +Y A+	
protein precursor:	250	TCWLQLADFRKVGDALEKYDSAA	273
OST6:	78	CTTATATGGCTACGGCGGCTTCAACATCTCCATTACACCCAACTACAGCGTGTCCAGGCT	137
human prolyl			
endopeptidase:	1407	CTTATATGGCTATGGCGGCTTCAACATATCCATCACACCCAACTACAGTGTTCAGGCT	1466
OST7:	109	AAAGCATGTAGCAGTTGTAGGACACACTAGACGAGAGCACCAGATCTCATTGTGGGTGGT	168
mouse			
45S pre rRNA:	1604	AAAGCATGTAGCAGTTGTAGGACACACTAGACGAGAGCACCAGATCTCATTGTGGGTGGT	1663
OST8:	161	TGGATGCAGNCTACCACTGTGTGGCTGCCCTATTTTACCTCAGTGCCTCAGTCTGGAAG	220
rat MAL:	306	TGGATGCAGCTACCACTGTGTGGCTGCCCTGTTTACCTCAGTGCCTCAGTCTGGAAG	365
OST9:	103	ACCTGATTGTTATCCGTGGCCTGCAGAAAGTCCAGAAAATACAGACCAAAGTCAACCAGTA	162
mouse malic enzyme:	1666	ACCTGATTGTTATCCGTGGCCTGCAGAAAGTCCAGAAAATACAGACCAAAGTCAACCAGTA	1725

Figure 6

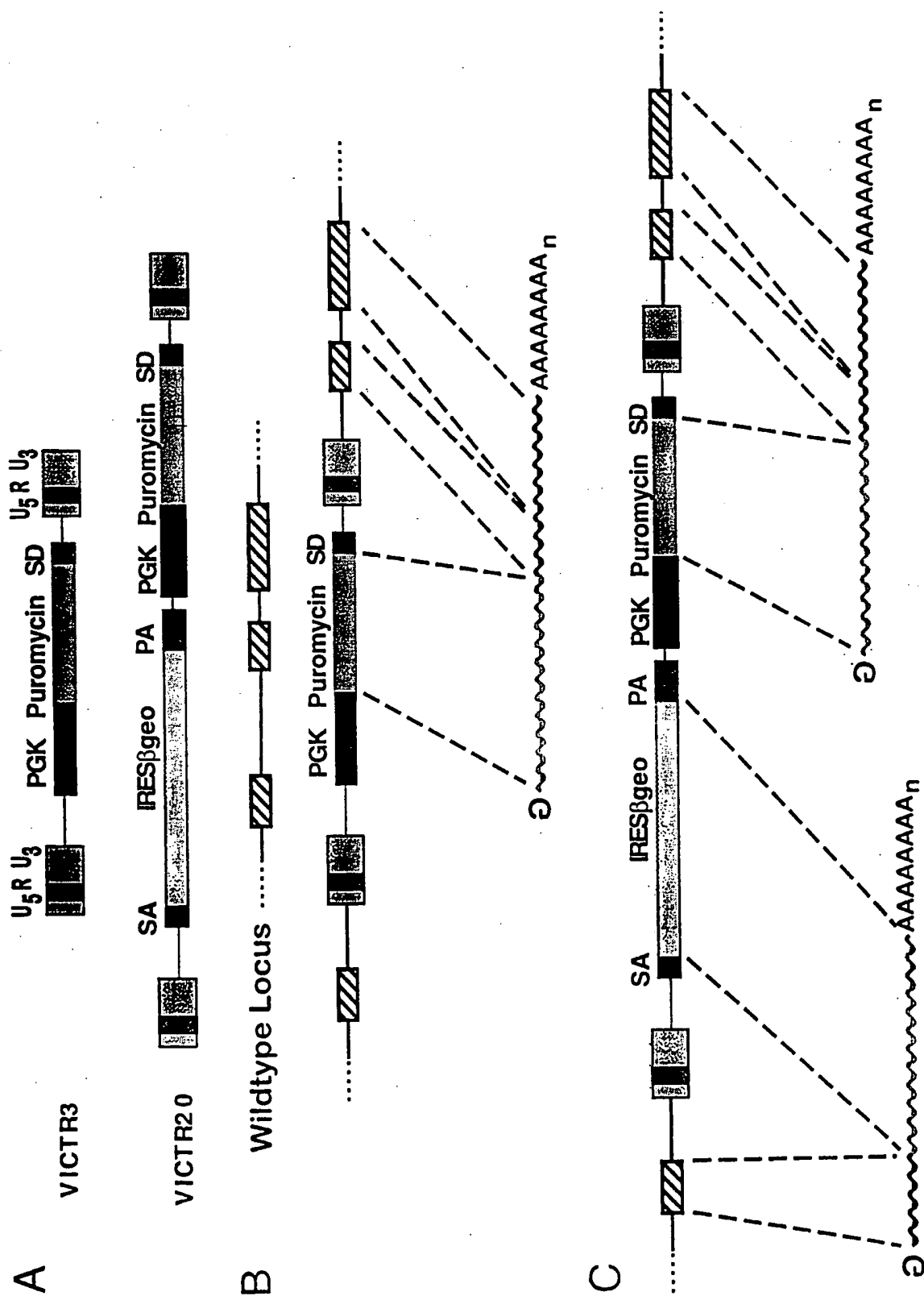


Figure 7

Figure 8

The following table includes 516 OSTs. OSTs with hit into prodom and Genbank patented sequences have been removed as well as sequence with repetitive elements hits.

Genbank	Accession	Value	Id.	Sequence Description
OST4	U0109445	5.0e-133	961	Mus musculus m46310.r1 Soares mouse NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 315197.5
OST5	U0109746	2.6e-41	951	Mus musculus Mouse mRNA for retinal cyclic-GMP phosphodiesterase gamma-subunit (GMP-PDE) (BC 3.1.4.17)
OST22	U0108454	5.9e-48	831	Mus musculus Mouse mRNA NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 315197.5
OST25	U0108168	1.0e-42	871	complete cds Mus musculus m350b06.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 479507.5
OST30	U01084968	1.9e-173	981	Mus musculus Mouse mRNA for aquaporin 1 (AQP1) (AQP1)
OST36	U01029016	7.5e-71	901	Mus musculus M. musculus T cell receptor alpha chain variable region (V-alpha)
OST38	U0105732	3.0e-106	951	Mus musculus alpha-amylose-2 gene: pancreatic mRNA
OST41	U0100360	1.8e-70	101	Rattus norvegicus Rat cytoblastoma P450 1A1 (CYP1A1) cDNA clone 426931.5
OST42	U01033190	4.0e-34	621	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST45	U01003309	1.4e-145	931	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST51	U01086214	1.5e-45	661	Mus musculus House mouse: Musculus domesticus Postnatal (0 day) Brain mRNA for Ca2+ dependent activator protein for secretion, complete cds Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST56	U01089233	2.6e-37	971	lymph node NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST74	U0100169	7.5e-112	891	G294850 ALPHA-MUSCLE ACTIN Rattus norvegicus Rat TM-4 gene for fibroblast tropomyosin 4
OST75	U01027384	1.0e-126	951	Mus musculus M. musculus 1q4-VX2 (70/3) mouse
OST86	U010819122	1.7e-31	881	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST95	U0108104745	1.8e-178	961	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST98	U01083806	7.3e-40	881	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST117	U0108156426	4.0e-111	971	Human sepiens z151b07.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST118	U01087684	8.6e-154	841	Human sepiens z151b07.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST119	U01087077	2.0e-145	921	Human sepiens z151b07.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST121	U0108482	3.1e-161	831	Human sepiens z151b07.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST133	U010814106	1.2e-52	731	Human sepiens z151b07.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
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OST213	U01082146	4.8e-38	861	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST246	U010809152	1.8e-81	791	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST268	U010812658	1.2e-91	931	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5
OST280	U010858245	1.5e-141	941	Mus musculus m47410.r1 Soares mouse embryo NM01915.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426931.5

Figure 8 cont'd.

OST261	gb U65313	1.8e-180	98%	Mus musculus Mus musculus cas-TPase-activating SH3-domain binding protein (CIBP) gene, complete cds
OST295	gb AA048190	4.2e-60	83%	Mus musculus m3920.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST297	gb Z77585	3.0e-168	10%	Calmodulin-binding protein 1-57 mRNA, Mus musculus M. musculus mRNA for thioredoxin
OST300	gb M75122	1.8e-203	98%	Mus musculus mouse acid beta- galactosidase (GLU-1) gene, exon 16
OST301	gb M44850	2.7e-97	97%	Mus musculus m2002.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST311	gb W04127	3.0e-73	85%	Mus musculus C57BL/6J ribosomal protein 528 mRNA, complete
OST314	gb T44710	4.0e-54	73%	heart NMEL19W Homo sapiens cDNA clone 347147 3' similar to PIR.A54766 A54766 metastasis-associated protein ala-1
OST316	gb M11499	1.2e-72	99%	Mus musculus m2002.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST328	gb M10861	3.7e-59	89%	REDUCTASE 7.2 KD PROTEIN Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST331	gb U17698	6.8e-119	83%	Mus musculus Mus musculus cDNA clone 347147 3' similar to PIR.A54766 A54766 metastasis-associated protein ala-1
OST342	gb U10120	3.1e-143	95%	Mus musculus Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST356	gb M60456	1.8e-117	92%	Mus musculus House cyclophilin mRNA, complete cds
OST361	gb M77160	5.7e-37	90%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST368	gb U07602	2.9e-184	97%	Mus musculus House muscle; thymosin alpha-1 mRNA for 14-3-3 tau, complete cds
OST386	gb X09846	2.6e-35	85%	Mus musculus M. musculus 84kb genomic region containing the gene for thymosin alpha-1
OST389	gb T51727	1.8e-78	89%	Homo sapiens Y02811.1 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 72500 5'
OST401	gb U29220	3.1e-33	97%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST411	gb U48542	2.0e-68	78%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST418	gb Q21163	1.7e-84	85%	Homo sapiens human STS NT-15024
OST421	gb Q25365	6.1e-56	86%	Homo sapiens human STS EST334292
OST425	gb X04480	8.1e-58	99%	Mus musculus House mRNA for preproinsulin-like growth factor 1A
OST430	gb M79737	5.7e-93	96%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST439	gb M26756	2.4e-134	87%	Mus musculus House malic enzyme mRNA, complete cds
OST442	gb M25038	2.6e-49	70%	Homo sapiens 150B human retina cDNA randomly primed sublibrary Homo sapiens cDNA
OST448	gb Y07569	4.1e-72	80%	Homo sapiens H. sapiens mRNA for thymosin alpha-1
OST511	gb X05591	3.1e-206	91%	Mus musculus M. musculus mRNA for thymosin alpha-1
OST516	gb M75435	4.6e-75	95%	embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST542	gb U041008	6.8e-216	99%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST562	gb X61433	7.6e-68	97%	RAO3-0001 INTERGENIC REGION [1] Mus musculus M. musculus mRNA for sodium/potassium ATPase beta subunit
OST568	gb AA007930	1.5e-31	67%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST571	gb AA111278	2.1e-147	92%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST572	gb AA130347	1.2e-103	85%	Homo sapiens z00510.1 r1 Stratagene endothelial cell 937223 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 566850 3'
OST573	gb L42855	4.0e-69	75%	Rattus norvegicus Rattus norvegicus RNA polymerase II transcription factor mRNA, complete cds
OST577	gb AA020459	2.1e-21	92%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST581	gb R96552	2.0e-90	80%	Homo sapiens Y02811.1 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 72500 5'
OST582	gb D17695	1.9e-218	91%	Rattus rattus Rat. m19610 5' channel aquaporin 3 (AQP3), complete cds
OST591	gb L43326	3.6e-103	85%	Mus musculus Mus musculus domesticus coiled-coil protein (CC-1) mRNA, complete cds
OST593	gb M70777	3.4e-117	98%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST594	gb X94616	2.6e-142	87%	Mus musculus M. musculus mRNA for RATCOG-1, complete cds
OST595	gb U67137	7.0e-51	86%	Rattus norvegicus Rattus norvegicus PSD-95/SAP90-associated protein-1 mRNA, complete cds
OST598	gb X53476	2.2e-235	98%	Mus musculus House mRNA for non-histone chromosomal protein HMG-14
OST600	gb U70494	1.0e-188	96%	Mus musculus Mus musculus histone H4.2 (H2A.2) mRNA, complete cds
OST607	gb M55702	1.2e-71	85%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST611	gb AA184009	9.8e-68	97%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST618	gb U11817	1.5e-95	86%	Homo sapiens Y02811.1 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 72500 5'
OST620	gb AA117282	1.0e-78	83%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST623	gb AA001326	5.7e-106	81%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST626	gb U09368	1.4e-47	81%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST661	gb AA028410	3.2e-114	88%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST664	gb U11027	2.6e-106	87%	Sec61 protein complex gamma subunit mRNA, complete cds
OST671	gb U64860	8.4e-211	95%	Nononon-POU domain-containing octamer-binding protein (NICE), B-cell leukemia, BCL-2 family, rat
OST679	gb M15516	9.9e-139	95%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST680	gb L20258	4.2e-232	95%	Homo sapiens KST01041 Homo sapiens cDNA clone HICP834 similar to CAMP-regulated phosphoprotein
OST707	gb U119122	1.2e-85	82%	Mus musculus m25503.1 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502
OST716	gb M62791	4.3e-74	96%	embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 39023 5' similar to gb U65313 mouse muscle 200502

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05T2110	gb AA051277	6.5e-118	971	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb Y00764 UB101H01-CYTOSOLIC C REDUCTASE 11 KD PROTEIN (HUMAN)
05T2112	gb W05170	4.7e-118	961	Mus musculus m43103.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 40787.5 similar to gb N00558 NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47134.1 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2116	gb X76453	2.4e-66	801	Kat5 protein - human
05T2126	gb W09367	1.8e-35	851	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 42525.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2134	gb W14081	5.2e-109	981	Mus musculus m43103.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47134.1 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2141	gb W191351	3.8e-40	791	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2165	gb W64236	1.7e-144	931	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2174	gb W085055	1.1e-67	931	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2177	gb W099250	1.9e-122	861	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2182	gb W579780	1.4e-55	931	Mus sp. DP-3 protein regulating cell cycle transcription factor DNTF1/22F
05T2188	gb W10048	2.3e-86	971	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2191	gb W046854	5.4e-61	951	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2198	gb W25302	3.1e-33	691	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2218	gb W18136	4.1e-112	971	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2220	gb AA049140	6.0e-153	931	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2229	gb AA014563	2.8e-109	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2236	gb W63758	2.4e-99	961	Mus sp. metallothionein-1 gene
05T2237	gb AA002285	1.7e-33	101	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2250	gb W71063	2.0e-137	961	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2269	gb W046027	3.1e-119	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2273	gb W033005	9.9e-111	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2275	gb W10226	1.7e-114	951	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2285	gb W033930	1.2e-43	921	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2286	gb W032037	8.1e-85	961	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2296	gb W035263	1.8e-116	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2297	gb AA001741	1.0e-58	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2307	gb AA167801	4.2e-62	901	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2342	gb W035819	1.7e-55	911	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2416	gb W14179	3.1e-54	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2418	gb W025844	1.1e-47	811	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2433	gb AA104747	2.4e-164	971	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2437	gb AA001741	1.0e-58	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2455	gb AA167801	4.2e-62	901	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2459	gb W005333	3.4e-119	961	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2464	gb W035263	1.8e-116	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2467	gb W035263	1.8e-116	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2477	gb AA001741	1.0e-58	941	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone 47819.5 similar to gb X00011 isoform 2
05T2481	gb W025844	1.1e-47	811	Mus musculus m31308.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMH13.5 14.5 Mus musculus CDNA clone

Figure 8 cont'd.

OST2829	gb AA002649	7.7e-90	941	LPS-binding protein Mus musculus m303806.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426106 5' similar to SW:MS5_HUMAN Q00587 SERUM PROTEIN MS55.. [1]
OST2814	gb U07692	1.4e-222	971	Asparagine aminohydrolase (fetal) Mus musculus Mus musculus (fetal)
OST2815	gb AA006795	2.1e-89	971	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to WP:F42H10.4
OST2819	gb AA163971	6.0e-61	701	CE00166 CNIP Mus musculus m40401.r1 Life Tech mouse embryo 11 5dpc 10666014 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426106 5' similar to
OST2842	gb W45415	6.1e-64	911	Mus musculus m40910.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 367866 5' similar to gb:U07151
OST2877	gb J03583	1.3e-66	931	Rattus norvegicus Rat clathrin heavy chain mRNA, complete cds
OST2803	gb W44850	4.8e-75	931	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2892	gb W07758	1.4e-125	981	Mus musculus C57BL/6J ribosomal protein S28 mRNA, complete (HOUSE) embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 423518 5' similar to
OST2897	gb W11047	7.9e-112	971	gb:J04823.fna1 CTROCHROME C OXIDASE POLYOMERIN H1 Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 316819 5'
OST2909	gb AA166258	8.9e-120	961	Mus musculus m49409.r1 Life Tech mouse embryo 11 5dpc 10666014 Mus musculus cDNA clone 414896 5' similar to
OST2911	gb U073478	1.4e-117	861	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2914	gb U12216	4.0e-136	951	Mus musculus Mus musculus AKR alpha M290 integrin mRNA, complete cds
OST2916	gb D77002	1.4e-67	921	Mus musculus mouse embryonal carcinoma F9 cell cDNA, 3556 r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 311379 5'
OST2921	gb W57540	8.4e-106	981	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2922	gb D50544	8.4e-135	881	Homo sapiens human lymphocyte mRNA for TFIID subunit p22, complete cds
OST2923	gb W56311	3.2e-108	971	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2926	gb W59561	6.3e-164	941	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2929	gb W57535	3.0e-92	921	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2934	gb W02904	1.8e-75	931	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2940	gb AA154635	1.4e-114	971	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2942	gb W44882	1.4e-91	961	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2948	gb AA108392	5.1e-32	811	Rattus norvegicus EST00035 rat lambda ZAP1 library (C. H. Haeckl) Rattus norvegicus cDNA clone pC093 5' similar to ADP-ribosylation factor (ARF)-like protein
OST2953	gb W10606	1.8e-97	981	Mus musculus m44011.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2956	gb AA049172	3.1e-137	971	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2963	gb W04744	4.2e-31	801	embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 479149 5' similar to WP:F45E12.4 CE02740
OST2971	gb AA120487	9.2e-107	101	Homo sapiens z57908.r1 Soares fetal lung NMIL19H Homo sapiens cDNA clone 298766 5'
OST2974	gb U03553	2.6e-102	881	Mus musculus m1207.r1 Buddington mouse embryo 11 5dpc 10666014 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to SW:YDMS_YEAST P38219 HYPOTHETICAL 44.2 KD PROTEIN IN SC02-MHF1 INTERGENIC REGION
OST2977	gb W07758	6.1e-164	971	Rattus norvegicus Rattus norvegicus neuroglycan C precursor mRNA, complete cds
OST2981	gb AA206420	1.2e-71	851	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2983	gb W49206	1.8e-119	981	SEQUENCE TAG m37912.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2987	gb AA027603	2.3e-134	961	Mus musculus m11201.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2988	gb W52129	2.2e-52	731	Mus musculus domesticus Mouse Rattus norvegicus m37905.r1 Soares mouse embryo 11 5dpc 10666014 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to pregnant uterus NMIPU Homo sapiens cDNA clone 505151 5' similar to gb:W09356_ccl1 TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR BTF3 (HUMAN)
OST2989	gb AA152050	1.3e-46	781	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2991	gb AA003171	8.4e-151	931	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2994	gb W51546	1.9e-51	831	Homo sapiens Y07212.r1 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 38905 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST2996	gb W99921	1.6e-82	101	Mus musculus M.musculus mRNA for S100 calcium-binding protein A13
OST2998	gb D19012	3.2e-48	101	Mus musculus Mouse 3'-directed cDNA, MUS0501209, clone m0315
OST3003	gb U07502	1.3e-169	971	Mus musculus Mus musculus lens major intrinsic protein (MIP) mRNA, complete cds
OST3004	gb AA103385	1.9e-162	981	Mus musculus m02102.r1 Life Tech mouse embryo 11 5dpc 10666014 Mus musculus cDNA clone 554427 5' similar to gb:215030_rnal MYOSIN REGULATORY LIGHT CHAIN 2, VENTRICULAR (HUMAN); gb:W65979 M.musculus PRLC-A mRNA for myosin light chain 2 (MOUSE)
OST3011	gb AA035005	1.2e-98	991	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST3017	gb AA050908	4.8e-123	921	Mus musculus m37905.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248
OST3018	gb U03277	2.2e-235	991	AP17 Mus musculus mouse DNA for small GTP-binding protein 510, exon2 and complete cds
OST3019	gb W49385	2.1e-76	991	Mus musculus Mus musculus CTF synthetase homolog (CTP) mRNA, complete cds
OST3035	gb U08651	1.8e-115	901	Mus musculus Mus musculus large ribosomal subunit protein mRNA, complete cds
OST3037	gb W90956	4.5e-34	741	Mus musculus m48405.r1 Soares mouse p10MF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 482313 5' similar to gb:U11248

OST31609	gb AA165901	2.4e-129	961	Protein kinase catalytic subunit (CDK4-PCNA) mRNA, complete cds Lymph node NBH19 Mus musculus cDNA clone 635740 5'
OST3361	gb AA028590	2.1e-152	971	embryo NM613.5 14.5 Soares mouse cDNA clone 46182 5' similar to NP:00102.6
OST3642	gb H05211	1.4e-47	741	CDK4 clone 180501 3' similar to CDK4 clone 180501 3' similar to SP:519586 N-METHYL-D-ASPARTATE RECEPTOR GLUTAMATE-BINDING CHAIN - 1 Mus musculus mouse inulin-like growth factor II (IGF-II) mRNA, complete cds
OST3645	gb H14951	1.3e-104	901	Mus musculus Mus musculus c-abl oncogene c-abl gene, exons 2 and 3, partial cds
OST3647	gb U14721	1.7e-36	761	Mus musculus m61703.01 Soares mouse cDNA clone 455981 5' similar to SM:1A4P HUMAN 049491 INTESTINAL MEMBRANE A4 PROTEIN. [1]
OST3651	gb AA023146	1.4e-109	911	placenta 4NBMP13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 455981 5' similar to SM:1A4P HUMAN 049491 INTESTINAL MEMBRANE A4 PROTEIN. [1]
OST3652	gb S60494	3.1e-31	941	Mus sp. gamma-phosphorylase kinase (alternatively spliced) [aile, muscle, 4 kb/c]. Genomic, 4204 nt, segment 4 of
OST3662	gb U37427	3.1e-204	961	Rattus norvegicus Rattus norvegicus phospholipid hydroperoxide glutathione peroxidase mRNA, complete cds
OST3669	gb H55918	3.0e-35	861	Homo sapiens zc0312.1 Soares parathyroid tumor NM0184 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 455981 5' similar to SM:1A4P HUMAN 049491 INTESTINAL MEMBRANE A4 PROTEIN. [1]
OST3681	gb H55813	7.6e-94	931	embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 367657 5' similar to gb U37874 Mouse Fern gene. (HOUSE)
OST3694	gb H28194	5.4e-71	931	Homo sapiens zc05.05.01 Soares parathyroid tumor NM0184 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 455981 5' similar to SM:1A4P HUMAN 049491 INTESTINAL MEMBRANE A4 PROTEIN. [1]
OST3700	gb AA038243	4.9e-171	991	p1NF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 473103 5' similar to SM:SARL-RADIT P42532 SARCOPHILIN. [1]
OST3703	gb H47847	7.8e-71	821	Mus musculus m62812.01 Soares mouse cDNA clone 455981 5' similar to SM:1A4P HUMAN 049491 INTESTINAL MEMBRANE A4 PROTEIN. [1]
OST3704	gb AA048648	4.6e-68	991	embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 477876 5'
OST3708	gb AA002275	7.4e-89	971	Mus musculus m43101.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 426577 5' similar to gb H37304
OST3716	gb AA014685	8.2e-119	901	Mus musculus m45610.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 467587 5' similar to gb L19527
OST3729	gb H19303	2.9e-97	851	Homo sapiens zc25002.01 Soares fetal lung NBH119 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 468616 5' similar to gb H37304
OST3731	gb H11502	1.3e-131	931	p1NF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 317051 5' similar to SM:PHCF JURNAL P40306 PROTEASOM COMPONENT NDL-1 HXN:UOON
OST3735	gb AA014575	5.2e-100	971	Mus musculus m16707.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 468616 5' similar to gb H37304
OST3757	gb H77924	2.6e-99	831	SYNTHETIC: NITROCHONTRIAL PROTEIN:UOON
OST3759	gb X64840	7.6e-51	971	Mus musculus H.musculus ALF1 mRNA
OST3767	gb C18516	5.2e-39	691	Homo sapiens human placenta cDNA
OST3775	gb U18282	1.6e-57	971	Mus musculus m45610.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 468616 5' similar to gb H37304
OST3788	gb AA014426	9.7e-55	101	Mus musculus m61801.01 Soares mouse clone 43657 5' similar to SM:1A4P HUMAN 049491 INTESTINAL MEMBRANE A4 PROTEIN. [1]
OST3789	gb U13544	9.2e-67	971	OXIDOREDUCTASE B17 SUBUNIT
OST3807	gb H26968	3.8e-51	801	Mus musculus m45610.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 468616 5' similar to gb H37304
OST3818	gb H28248	3.8e-48	961	randomly primed sublibrary Homo sapiens cDNA clone 43657 5' similar to SM:1A4P HUMAN 049491 INTESTINAL MEMBRANE A4 PROTEIN. [1]
OST3819	gb T55622	1.8e-35	811	murine leukemia virus retroviral vector pLXSN, complete genome
OST3827	gb AA046430	1.2e-67	841	Homo sapiens m12111.01 Soares fetal lung NBH119 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 376773 3'
OST3831	gb H70777	3.5e-121	991	Mus musculus m46402.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 390314 5'
OST3839	gb H86008	1.4e-103	861	Homo sapiens EST02533 Homo sapiens cDNA clone HPCU19 similar to
OST3843	gb T82230	2.8e-51	881	Hypothetical 43.3K protein
OST3849	gb H46986	1.3e-173	911	SPYCNAC13A PROCESS ... from clone 380412: ITC5 phase 1
OST3851	gb U51037	1.0e-135	841	Mus musculus m40405.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 386504 5' similar to SM:VSH7-DICD1 P14327 VEGETATIVE SPECIFIC PROTEIN HP. [1]
OST3858	gb X56135	4.7e-237	971	11-zinc-finger transcription factor (CTCF) mRNA, complete cds
OST3864	gb U19493	9.8e-33	951	prothymosin alpha
OST3869	gb H41525	4.4e-100	851	Mus musculus m43101.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 351439 5'
OST3897	gb H10485	3.8e-97	951	Mus musculus m43101.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 351439 5'
OST3903	gb H53908	1.2e-108	861	p1NF19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 374619 5' similar to gb U07151 (HUMAN)
OST3905	gb H05430	8.0e-102	921	Mus musculus m43101.01 Soares mouse embryo NM613.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 374619 5' similar to gb U07151 (HUMAN)
OST3909	gb AA020459	1.2e-8		

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OST1971	gb W55926	9.6e-55	941	Mus musculus m27904.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 425602 5' similar to
OST1988	gb H13524	2.6e-111	901	Mus musculus Mouse serum amyloid A pseudogene (pai-SAA)
OST1993	gb R16778	4.7e-45	821	Homo sapiens Yf3108.r1 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 178630 3'
OST4002	gb AA000314	1.9e-112	961	Mus musculus mg4607.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 425700 3'
OST4003	gb L37297	2.9e-121	911	Mus musculus (clone 96) ovulated secondary granule protein mRNA
OST4011	gb L26664	2.0e-155	941	Mus musculus Mus musculus expressed sequence tag EST F032
OST4028	gb D87470	7.5e-93	921	Homo sapiens Human mRNA for KIAA0280 gene, partial cds
OST4031	gb AA084704	2.2e-54	881	Homo sapiens 1005104.r1 Stragene hnt clone 44559 3' similar to
OST4051	gb P03500	7.6e-63	861	Glucosyl 546559 3' similar to
OST4061	gb W30618	3.1e-118	971	Glucosyl 546559 3' similar to
OST4070	gb W36515	6.0e-135	941	Glucosyl 546559 3' similar to
OST4073	gb X82021	2.0e-105	911	Rattus norvegicus R. norvegicus mRNA for heat shock related protein
OST4074	gb D63704	3.3e-140	861	Rattus norvegicus Rat mRNA for dihydroxyindolease, complete cds
OST4106	gb W75804	1.1e-84	931	Mus musculus Mus musculus cDNA clone 405594 5' similar to
OST4114	gb W20730	6.5e-90	961	Mus musculus m59601.r1 Soares mouse p1NM19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 337296 5'
OST4131	gb AA044274	2.4e-33	691	Homo sapiens z54903.r1 Soares pregnant uterus RNA Homo sapiens Rattus sp. EST105564 Rattus sp. cDNA 3' end
OST4134	gb H31469	1.0e-84	851	Mus musculus m27701.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 387729 5' similar to
OST4140	gb W71052	3.7e-121	911	Mus musculus m27701.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 387729 5' similar to
OST4142	gb C07091	5.7e-74	891	Mus musculus m27701.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 387729 5' similar to
OST4144	gb X56135	4.4e-41	831	Mus musculus m27701.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 387729 5' similar to
OST4148	gb W54510	1.5e-134	911	Mus musculus m27701.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 387729 5' similar to
OST4149	gb U36393	2.6e-111	961	Mus musculus Mus musculus transcription factor TFEB mRNA, partial cds
OST4154	gb X56046	1.3e-161	961	Mus musculus Mouse mRNA (clone lambda-16) for hypothetical protein A
OST4155	gb X05900	3.5e-58	851	Rattus norvegicus Rat mRNA for lens
OST4166	gb U53859	8.0e-169	901	Rattus norvegicus (p1beta 91-3) calpain small subunit (cs91) mRNA, partial cds
OST4174	gb U41395	1.3e-38	841	Mus musculus Mus musculus X inactive specific transcript (xist) gene, cosmid M84-14A, fragment 2
OST4181	gb W63607	2.9e-75	811	Mus musculus m40971.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 408455 5' similar to
OST4192	gb W83357	2.2e-83	821	Mus musculus m40971.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 408455 5' similar to
OST4194	gb W34635	8.9e-38	871	SN:GLYM-HUMAN P34897 SERINE HYDROXYMETHYLTRANSFERASE, MITOCHONDRIAL
OST4196	gb W41301	3.1e-39	991	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse p1NM19.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 331223 5' similar to
OST4223	gb AA203707	2.7e-89	901	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse lymph node NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 463823 5'
OST4228	gb S51016	9.3e-205	921	Bos taurus t2125K=multicubitinating enzyme (cattle, thymus, mRNA, 825 nt)
OST4229	gb Z31263	4.8e-70	971	Mus musculus M. musculus expressed sequence tag M75797
OST4235	gb W51187	3.0e-173	971	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 388820 5' similar to
OST4243	gb AA048921	2.3e-40	861	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 479276 5' similar to
OST4245	gb U10216	9.9e-80	751	Mus musculus domesticus C57BL/6J Homo sapiens m40205.r1 Homo sapiens cDNA clone 46710 3'
OST4247	gb AA023146	1.5e-115	961	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse placenta NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 455981 5' similar to
OST4251	gb AA070774	8.7e-154	981	SW:AFP_HUMAN 004941 INTESTINAL MEMBRANE AT PROTEIN. (1)
OST4254	gb W54737	2.4e-82	101	Homo sapiens m4306.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 367950 5'
OST4258	gb AA011789	4.3e-169	901	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse placenta NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 423158 5' similar to
OST4281	gb U16175	4.0e-40	631	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 423158 5' similar to
OST4283	gb AA007519	8.9e-52	811	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 423158 5' similar to
OST4288	gb AA000024	1.4e-135	961	Mus musculus m4306.r1 Soares mouse embryo NMEL13.5 14.5 Mus musculus cDNA clone 423158 5' similar to
OST4315	gb W18210	6.4e-62	961	gb:X03920.rna2 M. musculus GSNPc gene (MOUSE)
OST4319	gb J04696	2.0e-127	951	Mus musculus Mouse transcription factor S-11, clone p511
				Mus musculus Mouse glutathione S-transferase class mu (GST5-5) mRNA, complete cds

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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US CL : 435/6, 320.1, 325, 357; 536/23.1, 24.2; 800/2

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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Y	ODELL et al. Site-directed recombination in the genome of transgenic tobacco. Molecular and General Genetics. 11 October 1990, Vol. 223, pages 369-378, see especially Figure 1 and the "Result" section.	1-8, 10, 20
X	DYMECKI, S. A modular set of Flp, FRT and LacZ fusion vectors for manipulating genes by site-specific recombination. Gene. 01 June 1996, Vol. 171, pages 197-201, see especially Figure 1.	10
X	HAAS et al. TnMax - a versatile mini-transposon for the analysis of cloned genes and shuttle mutagenesis. Gene. 11 August 1993, Vol. 130, pages 23-31, see especially the abstract.	8
Y	WO 88/01646 (ALLELIX INC.) 10 March 1988 (10.10.88), see especially pages 1-3.	1-8, 10 and 20

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1. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

2. ☐ Claims Nos.:
because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:

3. ☐ Claims Nos.:
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Box II Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.

2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fee, this Authority did not invite payment of any additional fee.

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BOX II. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION WAS LACKING

This ISA found multiple inventions as follows:

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

Group I, claim(s) 1-7, 8, 10, 20 and 28, drawn to a library of cultured eucaryotic cells made by a process comprising treating a group of cells with a vector that mediates the splicing of a foreign exon internal to a cellular transcript, the use of the cell from the library to generate a non-human transgenic animal, and the method of making the cell comprising the vector and the use of the vector to make the library of cultured eukaryotic cells.

Group II, claim(s) 9, 11-18, drawn to a vector construct for replacing the 3' end of an animal cell transcript with a foreign exon.

Group III, claim(s) 19, 21 and 22, drawn to the use of a vector according to claim 9.

Group IV, claim 23, drawn to a stably transduced animal cell that incorporates the vector of claim 16.

Group V, claims 24-27, drawn to a method of altering a region of DNA by adding or deleting DNA.

The inventions listed as Groups I-V do not relate to a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons: the first group contains the product, a library of cultured eukaryotic cell, a method of using the cells to produce a non-human transgenic animal and a method of making the cells. The additional groups are directed to different vectors having different compositions than the vector used in the first group, cell lines containing those vector constructs and methods of altering the cellular genome. The first group contains a vector having a different composition than the other vectors and therefore the special technical feature present in the first group does not occur in the other groups.